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Why Do We Celebrate Gay Pride Every June?

The Stonewall Riot was possibly the watershed moment in lesbian and gay history during June 27-29, 1969 in Greenwich Village, New York. Most histories start with the fact that June 27 was the day of Judy Garland's funeral. Some Greenwich Village bars were draped in black as a sign of respect. The police led a raid on the Stonewall Inn, the divey Mafia-owned bar on Christopher Street.

Two barmen, three drag queens and patrons, including a Latino man and a lesbian, were arrested. Gay activist Bruce Voeller said the person who probably started the Stonewall Riot was a macho-looking Puerto Rican who provoked people and who kept shouting, "Why do you let them get away with this, stop letting them beat you up." When the arrested lesbian struggled with the police, the crowd began to hurl beer bottles and coins. Someone poured lighter fluid through the window, and ignited it.

The police turned to find themselves confronting a chorus line of dancing queens singing, "We are the Stonewall girls." The police had broken up the crowd, but the next day crowds gathered to see the debris and the graffiti that read, "Legalize gay bars" and "Support gay power." An even larger crowd did a reprise of their performance of the previous night. The riot saw the formation of the Gay Liberation Front, Gay Activists Alliance, and the Mattachine Newsletter. It is for this reason that June is celebrated in the annual Pride marches in cities worldwide.

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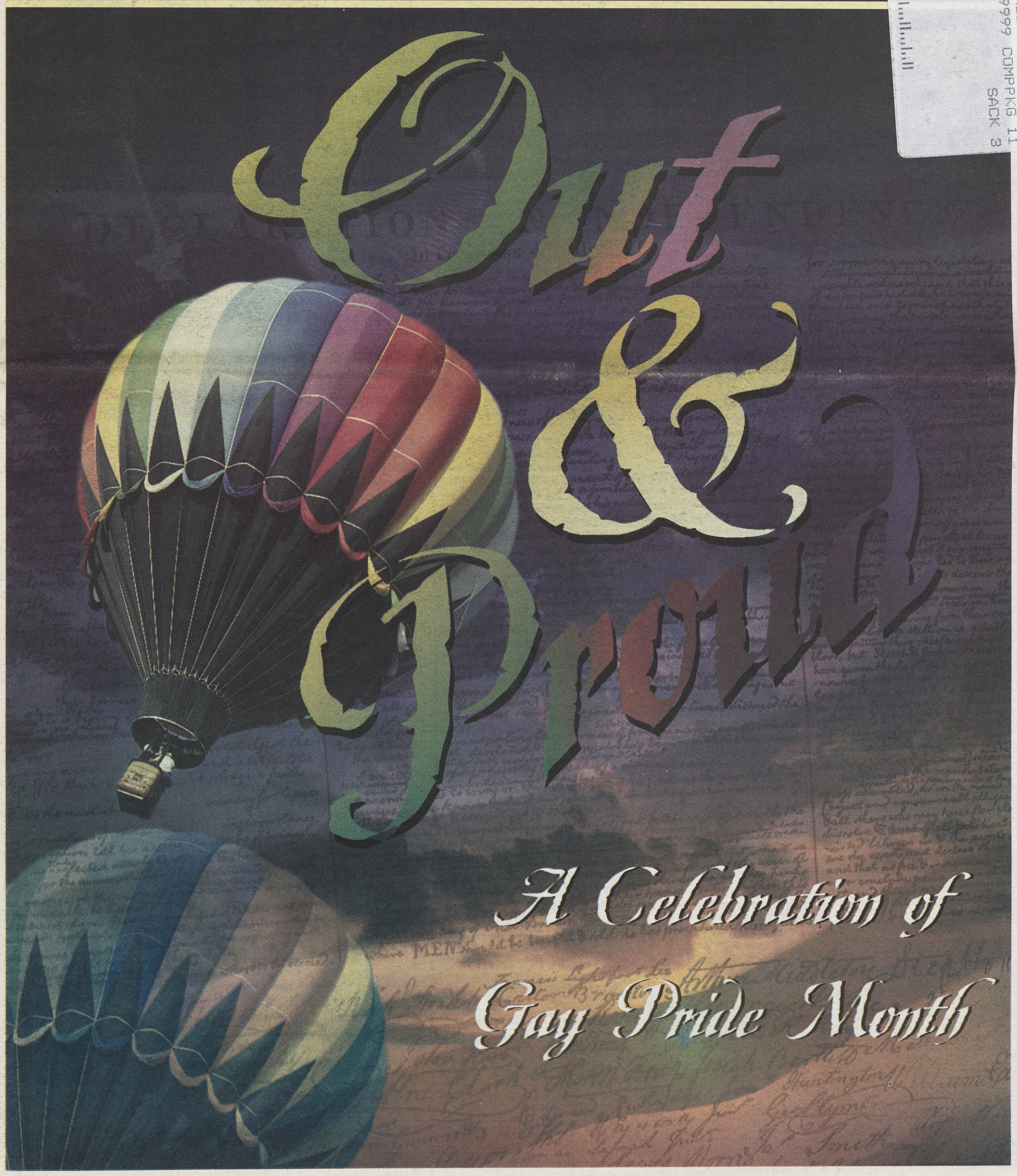

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WRITE NOW

Hip Publisher Responds to MGW

Dear Editor,

Regarding reporter M. Burlingame Couk's column in the April 15, 1997 issue of MGW.

Thank you for your insightful piece on the ads running in *Genre*, et. al. Yes, it's true that many of our ads are in the liquor, tobacco and HIV category. What you fail to understand is that advertisers choose us, we do not choose them! Oh, if it were that easy? And by the way, since you specifically chide us for not carrying condom ads, I respectfully request that you send letters to all the condom companies because they have repeatedly turned us down year after lengthy proposal submitting year.

Sincerely yours,
Richard Settles
Founder/Publisher
Genre Magazine

P.S. Thanks for insinuating that *Genre* is "hip".

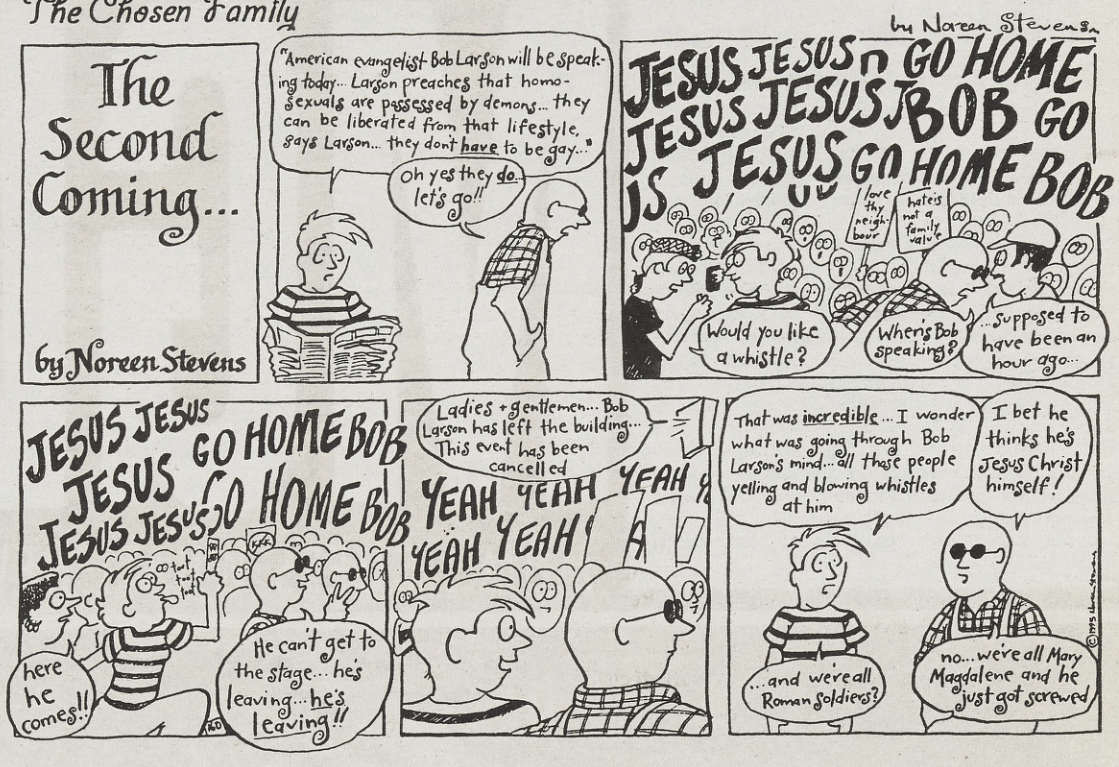
Writer's Response: Thank you for your suggestion regarding contacting condom companies. I have taken your advice and contacted several. However my point may have been missed in that I wasn't pointing out the lack of condom sales ads, but the lack of condom use ads.

Your magazine is one of the leading voices in our community as well as one of the leading voices in our youth community. I'm not certain you fully realize the extent of the power/influence you have.

Our paper, as limited as we are, often manages to design and print several free ads for important, non-profit community services. Perhaps instead of looking to other companies to promote self-protection, you might take the initiative and print your own safe sex ad. If you can grant an entire page to an editor's view, it seems to me you could squeeze in a few extra inches to self-promote condom usage. The content of your magazine is still chosen by your magazine.

Pretty darn sincerely,
M. Burlingame-Couk

The Chosen Family


The Second Coming...
by Noreen Stevens
"American evangelist Bob Larson will be speaking today... Larson preaches that homosexuals are possessed by demons... they can be liberated from that lifestyle, says Larson... they don't have to be gay..."
Oh yes they do... let's go!!
by Noreen Stevens
JESUS JESUS GO HOME BOB
JESUS JESUS BOB GO
love thy neighbour
hate is not a family value
Would you like a whistle?
When's Bob speaking?
...supposed to have been an hour ago...
JESUS JESUS GO HOME BOB
JESUS JESUS GO HOME BOB
here he comes!!
He can't get to the stage... he's leaving... he's leaving!!
Ladies + gentlemen... Bob Larson has left the building... This event has been cancelled
YEAH YEAH YEAH
YEAH YEAH
That was incredible... I wonder what was going through Bob Larson's mind... all those people yelling and blowing whistles at him
I bet he thinks he's Jesus Christ himself!
...and we're all Roman Soldiers?
no... we're all Mary Magdalene and he just got screwed
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Narcotics Anonymous

Dear Editor,

There's a lot of use of crank, coke, weed, ecstasy in our community. I'm writing to ask you to post the date, time, and location of the one gay/lesbian Narcotics Anonymous meeting in the Sacramento area. (AA/North Hall is fine for those of us who drank, but for a lot of us drugs were the real deal.) Posting it in the classified under services, like you do for AA, would please our group and might save lives.

The meeting is held at the Lambda Center, 919 20th St., Sundays from 7-8:30pm.

Thanks a lot,
Ron M.

Car Wash Raised $54

Dear Editor,

Regarding the May 17th "Car Wash '97" at the Mercantile Saloon:

I want to thank everyone for coming out to help wash cars for "Car Wash '97." We raised $54 for Frances House. Thanks especially to Alan, manager of the Mercantile.

Thank you,
Lady Cathy

Update: In a recent Not My Aisle column by M. Burlingame-Couk, several magazines were pointed out as not carrying condom ads. The writer would like to thank *Out* magazine for running an ad in their June 1997 issue for KY lubricant which featured a large picture of a condom. He would also like to make it known that in early 1997, the *Advocate* had been running full page safe sex/condom ads. Hopefully they will continue this practice in future issues. Thanks to everyone who voiced their support.

Men's Coming Out Group

Dear Editor,

The Lambda Center-sponsored Men's Coming Out Group (Mondays 6-7:30) is now going into its seventh year. It has been the springboard for many in our community and continues to be an inspiration to those of us who continue to attend and make up the core membership.

This letter is a notice to the community that there is a weekly, consistent, intimate atmosphere cultivated to discussing issues of coming out and being out. This group is for beginners and old-timers alike; one doesn't have to be just coming out to enjoy a discussion of what it's like to live in our community today.

Sincerely,
Ronald McCormack
Co-facilitator
Men's Coming Out Group
Lambda Center

Mr. Drummer Thanks Community

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the leather and levi community, please accept my sincerest thank you for a tremendously successful year of fundraising activities. Throughout the past year, many people (too numerous to mention) and companies were instrumental in helping me to raise more than $3,000 for local charities in their fight against AIDS. A special thank you to Bill Whiting, Terry Sidie, Ron Eads, and Les Risinger. Kudos for all Sacramento residents who supported the fundraising events as well as Bay Area residents. With your invaluable assistance, the Drummer Fund was able to help local charities; Avalon House, Fairy Godfather's Fund, Lambda Letters, and Breaking Barriers, in addition to several other causes. Please continue to support the new Mr. Sacramento Drummer, Mike Butler, in his efforts to raise funds for the needy organizations as well as other title holders in their quest for a cure. Most importantly, challenge and question those title holders who are currently doing nothing for our community. We, the public, elect these people to help and assist the fight. Do not accept complacency. Please continue your valiant support of the hard-working title holders who are doing their part. Once again, thank you for a tremendous year.

Enthusiastically,
Dave Moore, Mr. Sacramento Drummer, 1996-97

Drummer Boy

Dear Editor,

The Sacramento Drummer Boy contest is on June 7 at the Wreck Room, 10pm. What is a Drummer Boy? Someone who is interested in assisting the Mr. Sacramento Drummer in fundraising events and competitions. Anyone interested, contact Mike Butler, 722-6301.

Thanks, Mike Butler

New Group Starts with a Party

Dear Editor,

We have established "Rainbow Legal Defense Fund (RLDF)" to help offer legal assistance to individuals fighting sexual orientation discrimination. The RLDF and LIFE Institute are planning a fundraiser, "Splashfest '97" on Saturday, June 5, 3-9 p.m. Proceeds will benefit RLDF and LIFE Institute. Info: 984-9591.

Sincerely,
Bill Amaral,
RLDF Event Coordinator

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UNDER THE DOME

Court: Gay Men Can't Sue Committee

A federal court of appeals has ruled that a Placerville couple ousted from a Republican committee for supporting a Democratic candidate could not sue the committee for a violation of their civil rights. The Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals held that the men did not meet the state requirement for a civil rights suit alleging discriminatory action.

Paul Johnson and Kevin Wadsworth, elected to El Dorado County's Republican party central committee, rented their ranch for $100 to a Democratic candidate for a fundraiser. The committee voted to remove Johnson and Wadsworth for providing support to a Democratic candidate. The couple alleged civil rights violations, contending that the committee conspired to oust them because of their sexual orientation. They also said David Knowles, a Republican member of the state assembly, had voted to "get rid of those faggots," using his power and influence.

The court affirmed the district court decision to dismiss the suit, ruling that the committee's conduct was not the result of a person using their state law authority to bring change.▼

Congress Signs on Against Transgender Violence

In a ground-breaking meeting, representatives of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community met with an Assistant Attorney General and members of the Office of Policy Development of the U.S. Department of Justice to discuss violence and bias-related crimes against transgendered people. The meeting had been requested by members of the Gender Public Advocacy Coalition (GenderPAC) in a letter sent to Janet Reno following the bombing of the Otherside bar in Atlanta. Although the bombing was considered a "gay and lesbian" hate crime, the Otherside was also well known by local citizens for its bisexual and transgender clientele.

The meeting capped a week of extraordinary effort on the Hill, beginning with National Gender Lobbying Day (May 5), during which gender activists from around the country gathered signatures from congressmembers about violence against the differently-gendered. To date, three such letters are circulating the Hill. Signatories include Representatives Ed Towns (NY), Maurice Hinchey (NY), Ronald Dellums (CA), Caroline Maloney (NY), Mel Watt (NC), Bruce Vento (MN), William Clay (MO), Jerome Nadler (NY), and Barney Frank (MA).

Kris Pratt, instrumental in GenderPAC's hate crimes strategy, said, "We feel violence is an area where we can work constructively with all members of the larger queer community. The next step is to seriously work the Hill on this issue, and see how deep and wide the legislative resolve against gender-based violence really is. Amending hate crimes legislation to include gender expression or identity will probably be an uphill battle, but one in which we're glad to participate."▼

NOT MY AISLE

It's About Gay Cloning, Buuuuuuudy!

Once again Father's Day is just around the corner. I know this because of all the cologne, fishing equipment and tie-shaped ice-cream cake sales. Father's Day comes with a special twist for gay men and a few butch lesbians as we will once again have the ignorant of the world blame our sexuality on our poor unsuspecting dads. I for one am positive my father had little or no affect on my sexuality, how could he? He was never there (bud dum bum).

Now there's another pile of peas on the parenthood dinner plate. I heard about it as I was watching the news not long ago (my remote was on the floor and I didn't feel like getting up to get it) and I heard the extraordinary news that a sheep had been successfully cloned. I was so stunned I almost dropped an M&M. The report went on to say that the possibility of human cloning is at least a decade away from becoming a reality. Yeah, who are you trying to kid?

We're constantly finding out that all these wonder cures and astounding scientific discoveries that we have "just made" were made by government a good 10 to 20 years before the public even figured it out. Anyway, I finally picked up my remote and turned on *Pauly*. As I watched the "woodchuck" dance around and call everyone "Buuuuudy", I began to get a horrible sinking feeling about this cloning thing.

A few days later, while at the Open Book, I was scanning through the magazines and found several articles suggesting that gays should support cloning because it is "our future". My future is a Totino's Pizza and a rerun of *Green Acres*, what the hell are you talking about?

Apparently Randolphe Wicker, founder of the prehistoric (but none the less important) Mattachine Society has taken it upon himself to make cloning yet another issue gay people should add to their checklist to fight for. He did this by finding a group of obviously bored people and holding a demonstration demanding gay cloning rights.

After I stopped laughing, I tried thinking about it as if it wasn't one of the stupidest things to be concerned about in this year of marriage bans, job protection battles and lack of Lambda Center support. I wondered - what if I were cloned? What if there were another me? Oy!

Randolfe said, "I realize my clone would be my identical twin and my identical twin has the right to be born. "Dude, if you had a twin, he/she would have been born a long time ago and you would have been on one of the "My Twin Is Gay - And It Made Me Have Diarrhea" episodes of Ricki Lake.

When talking about clones, most people seem to have the impression that they will be born fully grown - walking and talking and using the memory engrams of its original. That may work on Star Trek, but not on the real world of Zenon - I mean Earth!

A clone will still be carried in a womb, born and schooled - and none of it's learning experiences will be the same as its predecessor - there will be a genetic similarity only. Duh. No matter how closely matched tendencies, tastes and attitudes are, the clone will still be an entirely seperate soul. With its own learning experiences; past life influences; star chart; numerology chart - it's own Chinese year of the titmouse.

Another major question revolves around the unremovable fact that there is a chance it won't be gay. What then? What if your little you went the other way? Het parents abandon their gay kids because they didn't grow up to be exactly what they expected them to be...and I'm pretty sure Maury Povich said the "gay gene" has been seen in the het half of twins...

Another reason we are being told cloning should be a gay issue is that some are becoming concerned that as we move into a freer society, it will cause less of us to make babies the old-fashioned way and eventually delete (so to speak) the "gay gene" from the pool. Yet again my eyes roll skyward. If that's so, then why can your het sister and her het husband have a gay son? Now, let's not always see the same hands. It means *if there is* a "gay gene" it's most probably hidden within all the family's genetic code and it ain't goin' anywhere. I also have to wonder...if we started out with a het Adam and Eve, where's the "gay gene" come from in the first place? Musta been that apple. Hey! Maybe that's why they call us fruits!

Jack Nichols remarked, "[This technology] might help gay people create their own families, free of coercion from the state." Newsflash: nothing is free of coercion from the state! We have state-regulated toilet paper, you really think they're going to let us run amok with a genetic cloning machine? Say it with me now: "not...gonna...happen."

So clone sheep, clone cows, clone Scott Bakula's butt, but make your kid the old-fashioned way. And if you don't have a turkey baster...hey, not my aisle.▼

- M. Burlingame-Couk

M.Burlingame-Couk is a long time Sacramento resident who would like to congratulate Cathy Poole and Chris Pettis on their engagement...even though he wasn't invited to the wedding. Write him at MGW 1725 L. St., Sac C.A. 95814 or E-Mail at info@mgwnews.com

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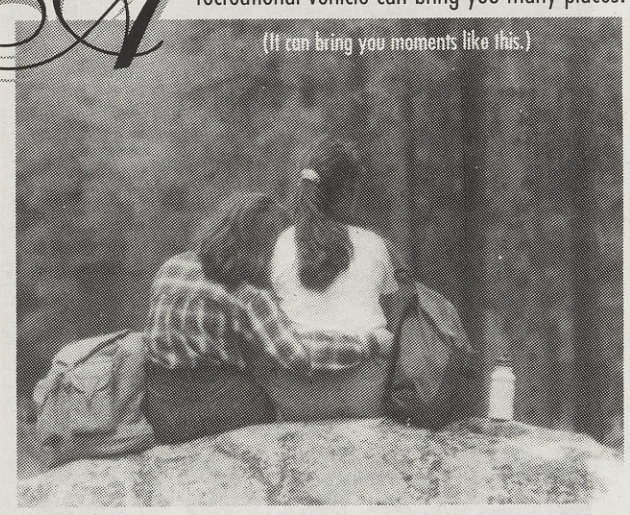
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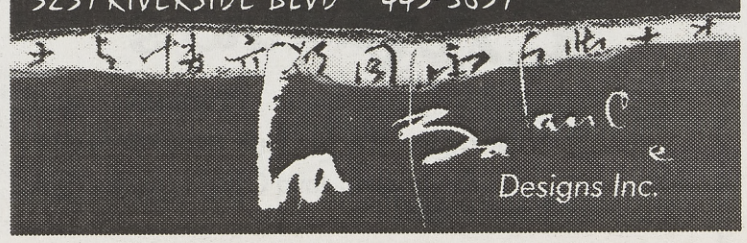
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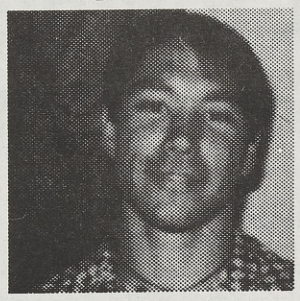
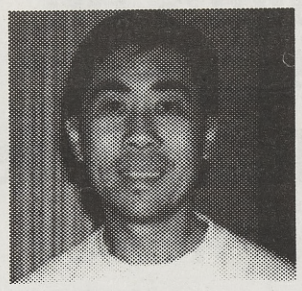
Who is Your Gay/Lesbian Hero That You are Most Proud?

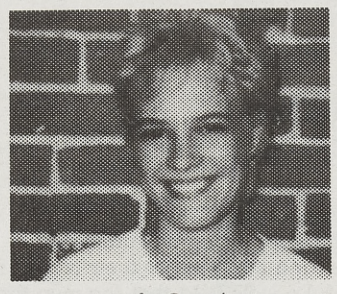
Kathi Finnerty
Assemblyperson Sheila Kuehl. She is advancing gay and lesbian rights as a human/civil rights issue with intelligence, compassion, and respect.



Ron McCormack
Dr. Marty Rogers. He started one of the first gay and lesbian groups in the U.S. and was at the forefront of the gay and lesbian liberation movement.



Cameron Yee
Sheila Kuehl. She's talented and intelligent and the first openly gay Member of the State Assembly. She's constantly fighting for our cause.

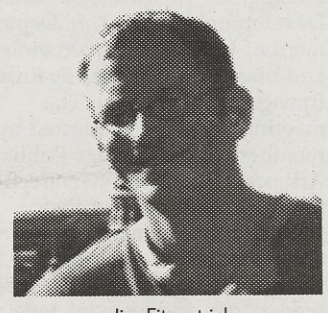


Jennifer Castiglioni
Ellen Degeneres. I think it took a lot to come out on national TV, and I admire the courage and strength it must have took.

Sonya Cox
Romanofsky and Phillips, whose wit and talent have eased some of the fear and stigm associated with standing up and speaking out.

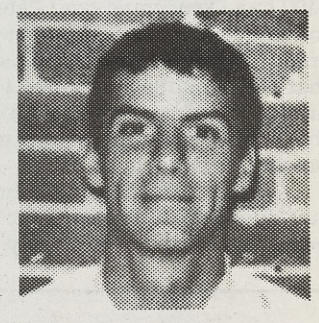
Pete Walsch
I'm torn between two heroes. The first is Sylvester, because he was the first gay public personality I was aware of when I was very young. The second is Larry Kramer, because he's the conscience of the community.

Kathy Rule
Reverend Freda Smith. She is my mentor and has taught me spirituality, and that God's love does not only live in the church.



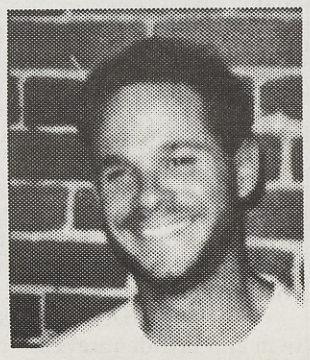
Jim Fitzpatrick
Larry Kramer. As a writer, I deeply admired him for both professionally and personally as a gay man. He says what needs be said, even though some don't want to hear it.

Marghe Covino
Barbara Jordon. Had she lived longer, she probably would have been the first female President, and William Kunspter, an attorney who was an incredible fighter for the underdog and civil rights.



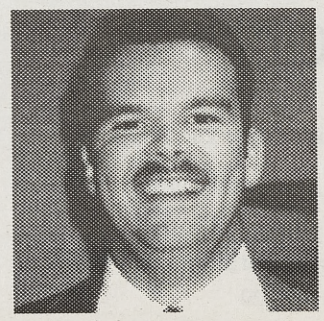
Justin Michael Deon
Melissa Etheridge. Her voice is our voice, removing stigmas and evoking confidence.

Kathleen Meadows
My hero is Reverend Freda Smith, because she absolutely lives by what she preaches.



Brian McMartin
Harvey Milk. He was one of the pioneers of gay and lesbian rights -- doing what was right, not comfortable -- inspiring a city.

Reverend Freda Smith
Radcliffe Hall, author of the banned book *Wellness of Lonliness,* for her plea for justice. I especially love her prayer at the end of her book called "We are coming." She had great vision.



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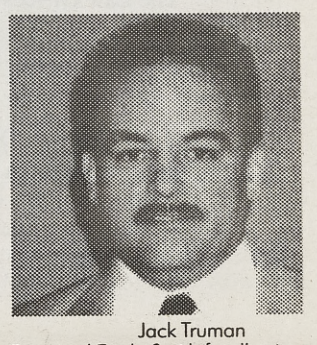

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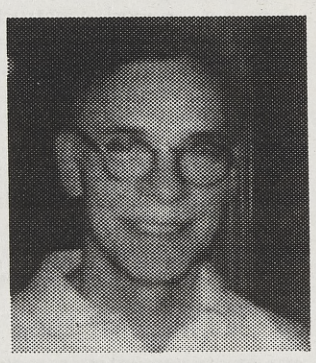

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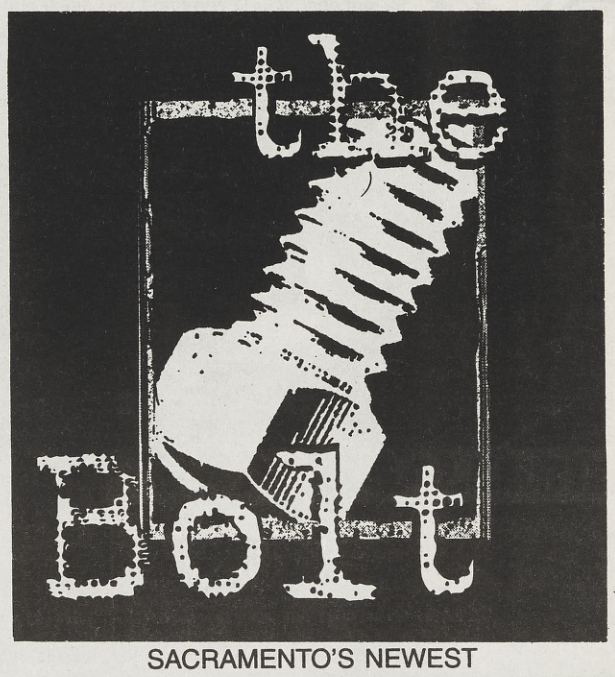

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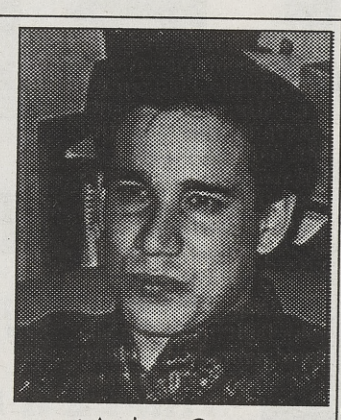
FBI Asks For Help

Dick Ross, Special Agent-in-Charge of the Sacramento Division of the FBI, advised that there is a nationwide manhunt for Andrew Phillip Cunanan, aka Andrew Philip Desilva. Ross cautioned that Cunanan is thought to be armed with a .40-caliber semi-automatic pistol.

On May 13, 1997, Andrew Phillip Cunanan was added to the FBI's Internet Home Page as a Crime Alert. Cunanan has been charged with the murder of David Madson in Chisago County,
Minnesota. Authorities believed that he fled Minnesota in Madson's Jeep Cherokee.

Several days later, authorities discovered the Jeep abandoned on a street where Chicago, Illinois authorities were investigating a murder. Discovered missing from the crime scene was the victim's 1994 Lexus, which later turned up in a cemetery parking lot in Pennsville, New Jersey.



Two recent photos of murder suspect Andrew Cunanan Phillip

In Pennsville, New Jersey, authorities were called to a cemetery when the caretaker failed to return home from work on Friday, May 9, 1997. The caretaker was discovered murdered. His vehicle was also reported to be missing. There are strong similarities between these murder.

The caretaker's vehicle is described as a red 1995 Chevy pick-up, with dark interior, bearing New Jersey license plate KH993D. Cunanan is described as a white male, 5'9" to 5'10", 160 to 185 pounds, dark brown hair and brown eyes, DOB: August 31, 1969.

The FBI Home Page has three photographs of the subject featured along with a brief narration of suspected criminal activity and a description of the last vehicle allegedly known to be used by him. The FBI Home Page on the Internet can be accessed at http://www.fbi.gov./

The subject is possibly still traveling in the New Jersey victim's vehicle, a 1995 red Chevrolet pick-up, New Jersey license KH993D.

On May 7, 1997, the Chisago County, Minnesota, District Court issued an arrest warrant charging Cunanan with murder in the second degree. On May 7, 1997, a warrant charging Cunanan for unlawful flight to avoid prosecution for murder in the second degree was issued by U.S. Magistrate Judge Arthur Boylan, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Cunanan is a homosexual, a male prostitute, who frequents upscale gay establishments. The two victims killed in Minnesota were former lovers of the subject. However, the motives for their deaths are unknown. The person killed in Chicago, Illinois, was a wealthy businessman. The motive for this killing is also unknown. It is possible that some of these murders occurred simply because Cunanan needed a vehicle. These murders have been described as vicious, execution-style killings.

Anyone having information regarding Cunanan should contact the Sacramento FBI at 481-9110 or their nearest FBI office.▼

POLICE DIALOGUE

Why isn't there ever a cop when you need one?

Sgt. Cara Westin, Michael Grasso, MGW/staff

There is. Maybe you think that all the cops do is cruise around Faces looking for drunk drivers. Actually, the Sacramento Police Department and members of the gay and lesbian community have formed an alliance to combat problems of mutual interest.

Badges? We don't need no stinkin' badges! Concerned members of the glbt community disagree. During the first Gay and Lesbian Community Forum sponsored by the police department and MGW in 1995, a suggestion was made to form a group to enhance the lines of communication between the glbt community and the Police Department. Since then, members of the Police Department and volunteers from the gay and lesbian community have spent many hours laying the ground work for the Sacramento Gay and Lesbian Police Advisory Committee (SAC GALPAC). The PAC developed a Community Problem Report and has distributed them throughout the downtown district, including Lambda and MGW. These forms are designed to help the Police Department better serve the community.

Since establishing this PAC, a second community forum was held. Many phone calls have been fielded, and Community Problem Reports have been resolved. PAC members have attended the Lambda Freedom Fair and the Rainbow Festival and answered many questions. We hope we have helped those we have spoken to, but we would like to reach many more people.

This group is not here to try and find fault or to change the social mores of the community. We are here to make the community and Police Department more comfortable with each other and better able to solve problems of mutual interest, and also to make the Police Department a positive working environment for gay and lesbian employees.

Rather than just complaining to your friends about problems you see or experience, we at SAC GALPAC challenge you to be part of the solution. It will be harder work, but far more rewarding. Complete a Community Problem Report and mail it in, or e-mail the committee at SACGALPAC@AOL.COM. The mailing address is Box 162361, Sacramento, CA 95816. For more in-depth information on the mission and goals of the SAC GALPAC, stop by our booth at the Lambda Fair.▼

ABC Closes Door On Lesbian Advertiser

ABC rejected Olivia Cruises and Resorts', bid to air an ad during the April 30th "coming out" episode of Ellen. Olivia, a travel company that provides cruise resort vacations for women, had submitted three versions of a commercial to ABC to be considered for national broadcast during the show. The three renditions for the commercial depict two women relaxing aboard a luxury liner.▼

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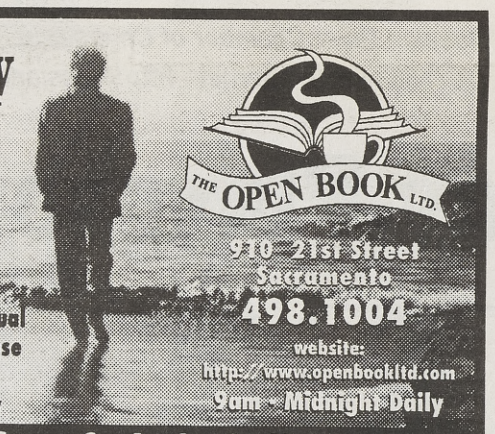

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Fri., June 13, 7-9 pm,	CELTIC HARP MUSIC & STORYTELLING - by David Sullivan (aka Katie O'Brien)
Sat., June 14, 6-9 pm,	SECOND SATURDAY ART - "Art of Tony Ferrante"
Sat., June 14, 7 pm,	MUSIC - Men Out Loud, this vocal group will also be appearing at the Lambda Freedom Fair.
Sun., June 15, 2:30 pm,	BOOK SIGNING - Marc Adams, "Preacher's Son"
Thur., June 19, 7 pm,	BOOK SIGNING - Simon LeVay, "Albrick's Gold"
Fri., June 20, 7 pm,	BOOK SIGNING - Brian McNaught, "Now That I'm Out What Do I Do?"
Sat., June 21, 7-8:30 pm,	MUSIC - Gina Livingston. Gina is releasing her first CD in June.
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Revs. Lou Sheldon and Freda Smith Debate Domestic Partnership and Morality

by Jim Long
MGW/Editor

Reverend Lou Sheldon, Chairman of the Traditional Values Coalition and a crusader against the glbt community, squared off with Reverend Freda Smith, pastor of the River City (Sacramento) Metropolitan Community Church, over the issue of Domestic Partnership on Thursday, May 22. In a special edition of *California CapitolWeek* on KVIE Channel 6, the two pastors debated whether gay and lesbian couples should "be allowed" to register as domestic partners. The issue has received broad media coverage in recent weeks since California

California CapitolWeek with Host Jack Kavanagh

Assemblywoman Carole Migden (D-San Francisco) proposed A.B. 1059, which would require group health care plans in California to treat domestic partners as eligible dependents. The bill would not require employers to provide such

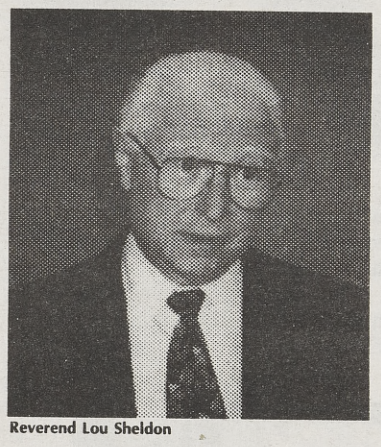
Kathleen Meadows and Reverend Freda Smith

coverage, however.

Sheldon, citing his so-called "heterosexual ethic," argued that same-gender relationships destabilize American culture, because "the body parts don't match" and the "chemistry in the home" is out of synch with traditional mother and father roles. He objected to the "gay agenda" and suggested that laws respecting domestic partnerships would lead to the "de-gendering of America." When interviewed later, Sheldon explained that church attendance in America would plummet if church leaders embraced a more tolerant position toward gay marriage.

Smith countered by stressing that she loved and respected Sheldon, his wife, and family, and argued that the focus ought to be on justice and law rather than biology or chemistry. Smith asserted that spouses and dependents of glbt citizens should be protected under the Social Security system and similar government programs. She noted that gays and lesbians are required, like everyone else, to pay taxes to support these programs, but are often not eligible for benefits.

The show also featured domestic partners Kyle Bischel and Jack Truman, who are raising their four-year-old daughter. They described how existing law and policy pose risks to their family. Bischel explained that, if his partner were to suffer an accident or death, he could lose joint assets or even the custody of their daughter. Attorney Kathi Finnerty described the legal aspects, noting that domestic partners have only limited rights to file civil action in family law cases.



Reverend Lou Sheldon

In May of this year, Reverend Freda Smith celebrated 22 years of Holy Union with her partner, Kathleen Meadows. *California CapitolWeek,* hosted by Jack Kavanagh, aired repeatedly during the weekend of May 23-25, and will be rebroadcast on various channels through June.▼

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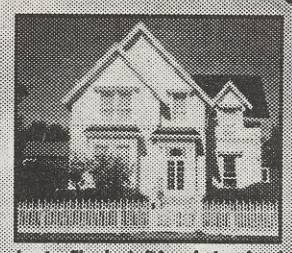

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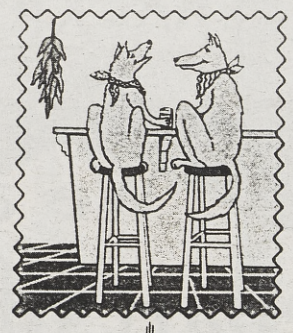

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Our Center Needs Help

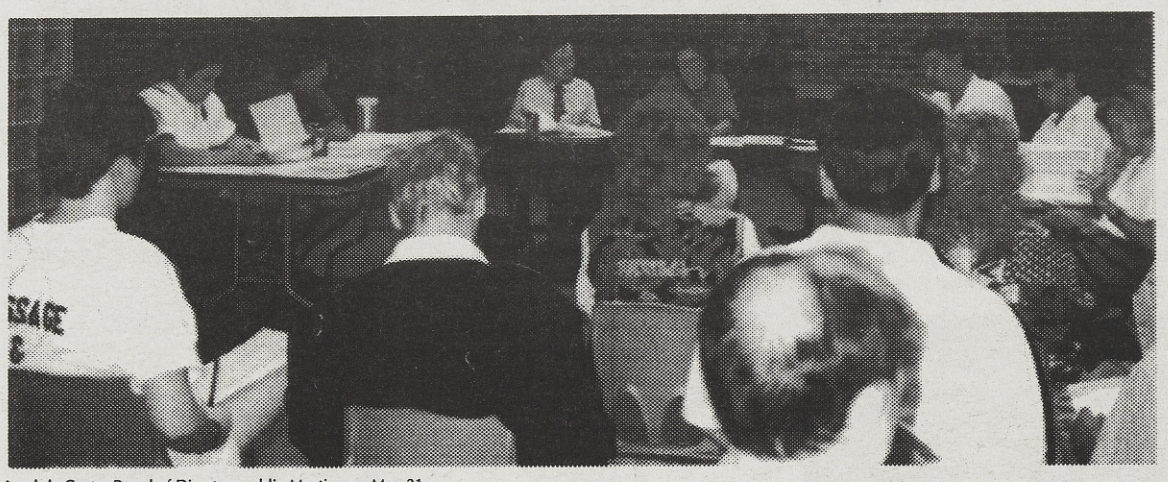
Board Meeting a Luke Warm Success

By M. Burlingame-Couk
MGW/Staff

On May 21st, theLambda Center Board held an open meeting to discuss the current state of affairs. Items on the agenda included a proposal to create an Environmentally Conscious Youth Group, selecting a new Board member and an update on the preparations on the upcoming Freedom Fair. But the main concern was money and the lack of it.

After the items on the agenda were discussed, the Board turned to the 20 or so people who answered the call for help, for their input. Suggestions ranged from date auctions to donation jars to bingo (an idea already under consideration by the Center). As suggestions were taken down, the Board asked for volunteers to help put some of the suggestions into practice. by the evening's end, only five people had signed to be volunteers.

Some people were clearly more interested in complaining than making viable suggestions; twisting the knife rather than healing the wound. Yet others had valid concerns and an eagerness to help. One of the problems in offering to help seemed to be the Board's lack of knowing where to direct the help as it was being offered. Particularly now when the Volunteer Coordinator (an unpaid position) is having to leave to meet his own financial hardships.



Lambda Center Board of Directors public Meeting on May 21

Another issue of concern was how to go about bringing the Center and the community at large into a friendlier and more fulfilling partnership, something desperately needed if the Center and those who are dependent on it are going to survive.

One person stated, "I've been in the Men's Coming Out Group for the past 6 years. I've heard coming out is a lifetime process, but my needs aren't what they were then. I've moved on." Suggestion of groups that would be of interest included reading groups, general rap groups, movie/video discussion groups, interracial couple gatherings, and the list went on.

The major obstacle the Center seems to be facing isn't the lack of ideas or enthusiasm, it is the obvious lack of community spirit and solidarity. The Wednesday meeting was advertised in several publications, including having been written up in the *Sacramento Bee*, yet it drew an audience of only twenty, five of which were from the media.

"[One of the most pressing problems is that] we spend so much time fundraising, just to meet the operating costs of the Center, we are unable to focus on the work that we would really like to be doing," One member said in a solemn voice. "We want to make the Center a warm, welcoming place for every member of our community with programs and activities that hopefully everyone will be eager to participate in. But until we are able to first meet the base operating costs, we're doing nothing but treading water, and that's no help to anyone."

"I keep hearing everyone saying 'if the Lambda Center in going to continue', like it's an entity unto itself. We need to understand that the Center is our root, it's our connector, our common factor. If we lose that because of our own non-caring and selfish disinterest, it's going to affect us in ways we're not even going to realize until we find ourselves in need of help and no one to turn to."

Some relief has come in the form of corporate sponsorship. A representative from *American Express* was available through part of the meeting. "He left smiling," one Board member quipped. That's always a good sign. They have taken a genuine interest in our community and I can't tell you how profoundly grateful that makes us all feel."

The Freedom Fair has, in past years, drawn anywhere from 10 to 50 thousand people. While the Center remains hopeful the Fair will be an avenue of bringing in the much needed financial support, they will be making an extra effort to once again reaffirm the community's faith in the Center and the importance of the work it does.

"We are in desperate need of help, not merely financial, though that at the moment is our most pressing concern. We need volunteers who are willing to become organizers and leaders, people willing to take the fundraising suggestions, the program ideas and make them a reality. We need people with the vision and desire to help redefine the role the Center is going to play in our community's future."

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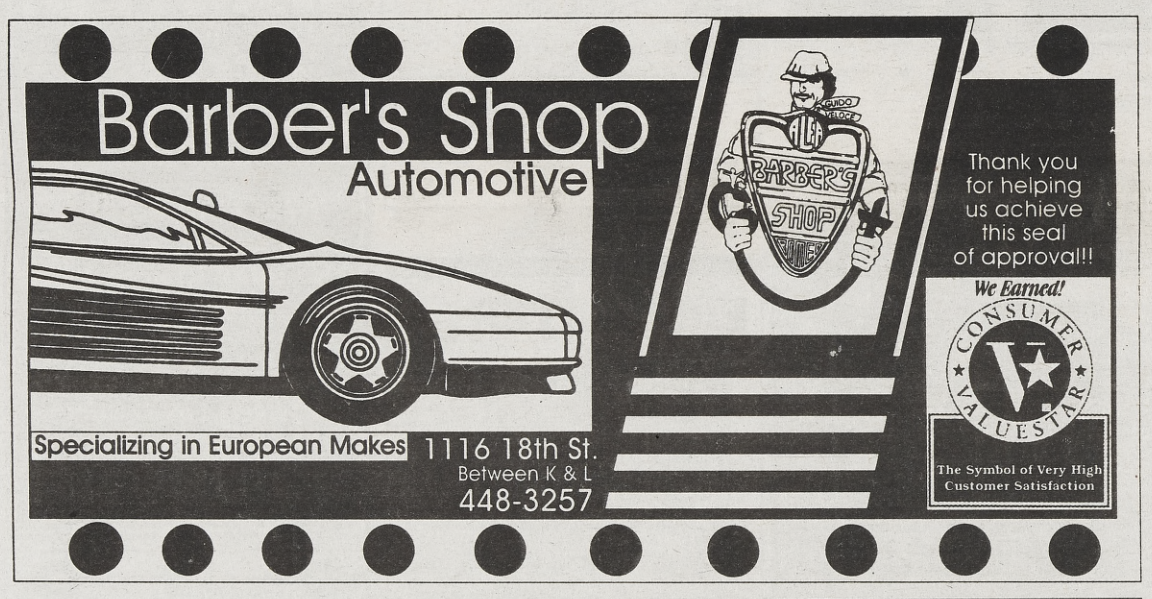

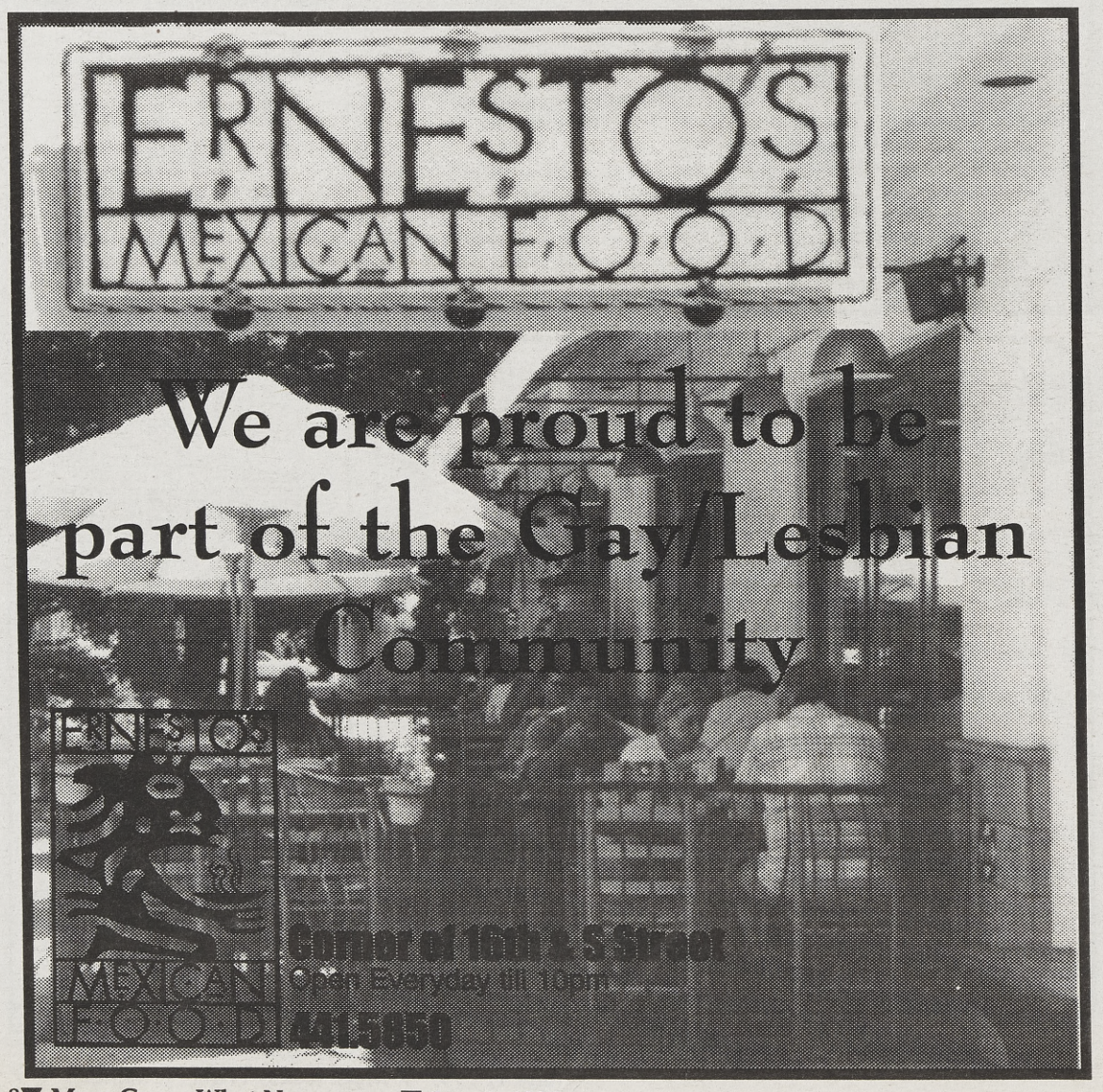
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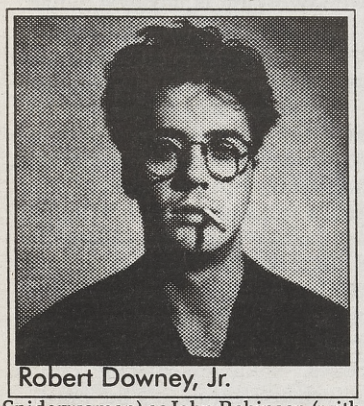
Matt LeBlanc plays Don Wet in director **Stephen Hopkins'** upcoming remake of the TV series *"Lost in Space."* LeBlanc is excited to be playing a character which is light years away from his role on *"Friends"* and appreciates being simply lost rather than spaced. Though the robot character remains, it takes on a different shape in an ominous-looking design that towers above the average human. Other cast members include **William Hurt** (Kiss of the


Robert Downey, Jr.

Spiderwoman) as John Robinson (with a beard), **Mimi Rogers** as wife Maureen, **Lacey Chabert** (Party of Five) as Penny and **Gary Oldman** (Prick Up Your Ears) as the sleazy Dr. Smith, and **Heather Graham** as Judy. Graham can be seen in **Gregg Araki's** *"Nowhere"* and will star opposite **Robert Downey, Jr.** (Home for the Holidays) in **James Toback's** psychological thriller *"Two Girls and a Guy."*▼▼▼

"In and Out," starring **Kevin Kline** as an outed gay teacher, inspired by the true story of **Tom Hank's** high school drama teacher, opens on June 13. The cast includes **Matt Dillon, Debbie Reynolds, Tom Selleck, Joan Cusack** (Gross Pointe Blank) and **Wilford Brimley. Paul Rudnick** (Adams Family Values) wrote the screenplay which was filmed under the direction of **Frank Oz** for Paramount.▼▼▼ABC's new soap opera sequel to *"General Hospital"* is called *"Port Charles"* and will air as a prime-time TV movie on June 1. The series stars a few General Hospital regulars and replace *"The City"* on the network s daytime schedule. If it becomes as much of a bore as *"The City"* became, they can always change its name to "General Anesthetic."▼▼▼ *"All My Children"* fan and former guest star Rosie O'Donnell hosts the June 1st telecast of the Tony Awards.▼▼▼

Five minutes to curtain, Miss Breckinridge! **Raquel Welch** heads back to the world of gender confusion when she takes over the **Julie Andrews'** role in *"Victor/Victoria"* on June 3. Among the actresses Raquel beat out for the role was **Toni Tennile,** who could have brought a whole new meaning to the song *"Muskrat Love."* You may remember that **Liza Minnelli** temporarily took over the role in January and received scathing reviews.▼▼▼Director **Stephen Elliot's** (The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert) latest film is called *"The Big Red"* and follows the adventures of a New York hustler in Australia. Sounds like *"Midnight Cowboy"* meets *"Crocodile Dundee."*▼▼▼

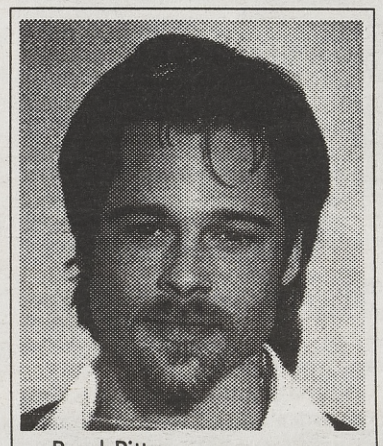
Roger Michell will direct a so-called follow-up to *"Four Weddings and a Funeral,"* but this is not a sequel. Awaiting a title, the British comedy is being called *"The Notting Hill Project."* *"Four Weddings"* scribe **Richard Curtis** has teamed with producer Duncan Kenworthy for this project which isn't expected to get under way until 1998.▼▼▼

Richard Simmons has moved away from the idea of doing a Broadway musical set on a fat farm called "Pounds" and now plans to do a more serious play called *"The Meeting."* Yes, it s about a weight loss support group. I hope it explains why Richard can look so unfit and still be considered a fitness expert. Where does he have the time, what with his new venture in low-fat snack treats called *"Richard Simmons' Slimmons"* featuring popcorn, caramel corn and cheese puffs.▼▼▼

Skeet Ulrich (Scream) plays a gay street Hustler obsessed with **Brad Pitt** in the motion picture *"Old Friends."* Though Pitt does not appear in the film, the cast does feature **Jack Nicholson** and **Helen Hunt** (Mad About You). Helen s husband **Hank Azaria** has been cast with **Matthew Broderick** (Torch Song Trilogy) in Tristar s remake of *"Godzilla."* *"Independence Day"* creators and partners **Dean Devlin** and **Roland Emmerich** are producing, directing and writing the project.▼▼▼

Alexis Arquette (Last Exit to Brooklyn) and **Michael York** (Cabaret) star in the military thriller *"Goodbye America."* ttt **RuPaul** teams with **Lypsinka** as drag queens who steal HIV medicine from a major profiteering drug company, just pick one, anyone, and distribute them to those who can't afford them in the upcoming film, *"Red Ribbon Blues."* If they added **Dennis Rodman** to this project, they could have done a remake of *"Charlie's Angels."*▼▼▼

The three leads have been cast for the movie remake of the camp/cult British TB series *"The Avengers."* **Sean Connery** is villain Sir August Winters, **Ralph Fiennes** is the new John Steed and **Uma Thurman** is Emma Peel. Uma? Please, I'd rather see Oprah!▼▼▼ **Greg Louganis** stars in the AIDS drama *"Touch Me"* about a woman coming to terms with being HIV positive and the relationships around her. Greg doesn't play the woman but an HIV negative friend. He is also working on his next book. Literary

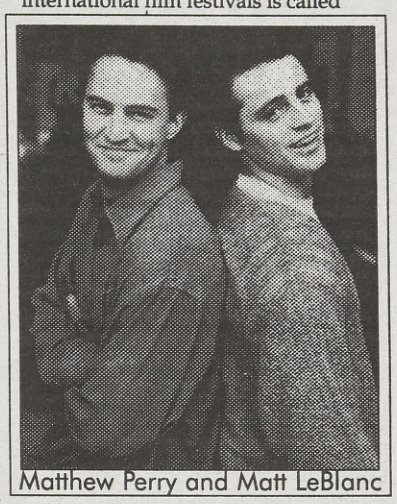

Brad Pitt

critics can rest their bitter pens of discontent as the work will be about one of Greg's true loves...dogs.▼▼▼

Here's the story, of a girl named Marsha, who was raised with two other lovely girls. Former *Brady Bunch* TV series star **Maureen McCormick** has signed to portray country singer **Barbara Mandrell** in a planned CBS telefilm to air next season.▼▼▼ If you've wondered if **Kristy McNichol** ever got over that chemical imbalance problem from a few years ago, take heart. Kristy is doing the voice of one of the characters in the new Warners network animated TV series *"Invasion America."* **Leonard Nimoy** and **Edward Albert** also handle voices of this **Steven Speilberg**-created show scheduled to debut next year. The series follows a teenager who learns that he is half alien and is destined to lead Earth against conquèrors from the planet Tyrus.

Zrazy, the lesbian duo from Ireland, has released a new CD. Titled *"Come Out Everybody,"* it can be found on Pure Records and is a combination of styles from love songs and ballads to pop tunes and techno dance music. Newfound fans may be interested in learning that the two, **Maria Walsh** and **Carole Nelson,** were indeed an item for six years, though have moved on to just a performing partnership.▼▼▼ June 2 is the birthday of the **Marquis de Sade,** who was born in 1740. If he were alive today, he'd be old enough to date **Anna Nicole Smith.** In celebration, send an anti-gay politician a donation but don't sign the check. Now, that's torture.

If you see ads for the film *"Wittstock, Wittstock,"* don't be confused. This has nothing to do with drag and is not a sequel to *"Wiggstock: The Movie."* The German documentary details three women textile workers in East Germany and how their lives changed after the Berlin Wall came down.tttOn the subject of confusing film titles. A Greek entry hitting international film festivals is called


Matthew Perry and Matt LeBlanc

"The Cow's Orgasm." Contrary to rumor, this is not a documentary on bovine vibrators, but looks at two country girls trying to lose their virginity.▼▼▼

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by Stefan Grunwedel
(MGW/Staff)

***Love! Valour! Compassion!* Starring Jason Alexander, Randy Becker, Stephen Bogardus, John Benjamin Hickey, John Glover, Justin Kirk, Stephen Spinella. Directed by Joe Mantello. (115 min.)**

Stephen Bogardus and Jason Alexander in *Love! Valour! Compassion!*

Considering how uncomfortable mainstream audiences feel when confronted with gay-themed movies or television shows in this country, it's safe to say that gay pride is just one important image that these forms of entertainment can impart to the population at large. If people can see queers with "normal" (if different) lives, perhaps the taint of "perversion" will finally wear off so we can finally be accepted as "just another" segment of this country's diverse population.

Love! Valour! Compassion! (abbreviated here as *LVC*) is a movie with a talented, ensemble cast that attempts to show how gay life exhibits its own versions of the human condition that other books, plays, and films explore so well: the nature of friendship, the effects of infidelities on long-term relationships, and the way that (impending) death impacts people's lives.

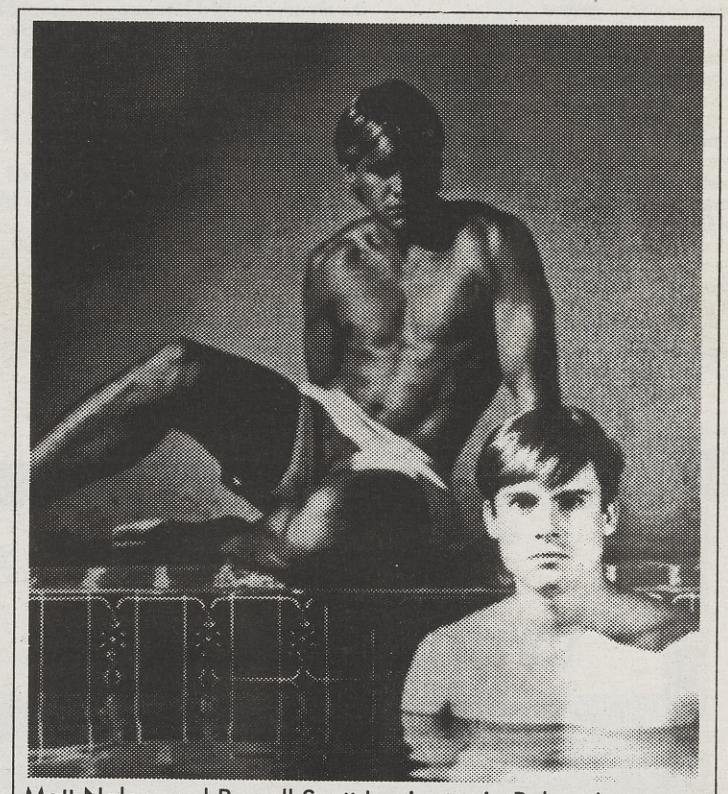
As an off-Broadway play by Terrence McNally, *LVC* received much praise from both mainstream and gay theater audiences, and even won the Tony Award for Best Play when it opened in 1994. Recruiting the same talent from the original play and adding Jason Alexander (of TV's "Seinfeld" fame) to the mix, director Joe Mantello assembled a good team of actors to bring the play to the big screen. Unfortunately, what may work in the physical immediacy of the theater comes across as saccharine and melodramatic in the cinema. There's little that's believable, compelling, or even interesting about the characters or themes depicted in *LVC*.

The first scene, where we see a beautiful Victorian house with plenty of idyllic acreage around it, reveals the first signs of what's to come. The narrator, a choreographer named Gregory (Bogardus), has invited his friends for the Memorial Day weekend. The music that accompanies detailed shots of the house sets the tone for the whole movie. It's the kind of music that gets written for too many "family-oriented" TV shows or movies: easy-listening syrup. There's no edge and little creativity to it.

Although the cast of characters is not meant to represent a cross-section of gay life, it's disappointing to see how narrow the range is. Except for the young Hispanic, Ramon (Becker), the white men are mostly well-off, well educated, and fortysomething. Not that such people in real life don't have compelling stories to tell, but as individuals, the men in *LVC* are barely developed enough for us to form an adequate picture of who they really are and what makes them tick. They've apparently been close friends for years but it's hard to believe sometimes when we see them interact. Ramon and Gregory's blind lover, Bobby (Kirk), offer the only interesting characters to contemplate. Yet issues of race and generational differences in the gay community are either glossed over completely or made the subject of cheap laughs. Even Bobby's blindness is touched upon only briefly. Instead of learning about his experiences as a gay blind man in a culture that reveres body imagery, we get an earful of cliched, bitchy banter and gay name-dropping from the rest of the gang. In the three years since the play was first staged, there has been much exposure in mainstream (let alone gay) entertainment to AIDS and its effects on gay and straight society. While AIDS is thankfully not treated in a maudlin way here, it's also not shown in a new light either. New theories on drug treatments, health care issues, and the increasing influence of pharmaceutical companies in gay media and culture are just some of the issues that could have updated the play's script.

Apparently controversy never enters the serene confines of Gregory's house. Whenever interesting issues are brought up, they're relegated to emotional scenes, where heated outbursts replace conversation. After the dust settles, the story proceeds without adequately resolving the situation that brought about the conflict. You never really find out why some of the characters behave the way they do or why they are the way they are. About the only motivating theme is that expressed by the producer, Doug Chapin: "We are all mortal, so spend your time loving, laughing with, and caring for those closest to you." Sure, this is a nice thought, but it's hardly a novel one, nor can it sustain a plot for two hours. Even the house, which at first seems to take on the role of an influential character, is never sufficiently explained. How could a choreographer afford such a piece of real estate? Aside from the fact that the staircase is nice to walk up and down, and the woodworking is intricate, what binds these people to the house? Did they help renovate it over the years?

About the only intriguing moment occurs in a dreamy sequence when each man tells us how he dies in the future. Is it a guessing game or do they tell us what really happens to them? In the hands of a better writer, this mysterious scene would have been only one of several compelling scenes delving into the "big issues," some gay-specific, others universal. Instead, it's the only one. The rest is genuinely funny, often cute, and sometimes sad, but ultimately forgettable. *Love! Valour! Compassion!* opens June 13th at Landmark's Sacramento Inn Cinemas. Call 777-FILM for showtimes.▼



Matt Nolan and Russell Scott Lewis star in Robert Lee King's *The Disco Years*, one of the three films in *Boys Life*.▼

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Highest Profile "Coming Out" Yet

by Tim Nasson
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This article is NOT about Ellen DeGeneres. Keep reading.

Have you had your fill of Ellen DeGeneres and Anne Heche coming-out stories in the gay and straight media? Are you glad that the hoopla has died down enough so that every straight person that knows you are gay isn't asking you what you thought of "Ellen's" "coming out" episode?

You must also be at least a little elated that a celebrity of Ellen's stature did have the courage, for whatever the reason, to "come out" in person and character. The landmark "Ellen" "coming out" episode was one of the highest rated television programs of all time and certainly included an audience that was made up of a majority of heterosexuals. They got to see a well-written show, with many big-name celebrities in it as well, lending their support to an issue that can use all the positive help it can get.

Well, according to two very highly placed sources in the entertainment industry, Ellen's coming out--in person and in character--can only be compared to one winning a mere dollar in a lottery when a million dollars is up for grabs.

The jackpot, or "coming out" prize is going to go to the celebrity who, as my sources say, is planning on coming out very soon.

No, it is not Rosie O'Donnell, Jodie Foster or Hillary Clinton. The celebrity who has plans to "come out" has more clout and name recognition than all three put together. It is someone that people round the world know on a first-name basis. And the last person anyone would guess is gay. Unlike Ellen.

I do not think it would be fair, or wise, for me to "out" this individual in this article. I think it would do more harm than good. Especially since I am trying to secure an interview with "this celebrity's" publicists so that when "this person" does "come out," the gay press will be provided with an interview in their own medium. Hopefully, a change from the way the whole Ellen "coming out" was handled. Exclusively in the straight press.

I will, however, go a little further and say that this celebrity is involved in a relationship with someone of the opposite sex. And this person's partner has been rumored to be gay for years him or herself. A coupling of convenience? Well, people can live together as more than sexual partners and be of comfort and emotional support to one another. I know of at least three more marriages of convenience in Hollywood, yet these couples have no plans at the moment to "come out."

What will be the benefit of this "celebrity's" "coming out"? Well, for starters it will change the perception mainstream America has about homosexuality overnight. It will be a noble act on his or her part. In fact, so surprised will people be, that many will say that this "coming out" is a mere conspiracy. A fake. A noble attempt on this person's part to try and right a wrong to an entire community around the world.

This person will need all the support they can get and I am confident that this person will get more support than George Bush did for Desert Storm.

You thought the Ellen media coverage was intense? Just you wait. This person is not going to have time to breathe for at least a year. Neither will you.

Covers of every major publication throughout the entire world with his or her smiling face. Every talk show imaginable. Well, maybe not every one. Automatic elevated inclusion in every gay rights and activist committee. These are just some of the things this "celebrity" will have to endure.

What Rosa Parks did for the blacks this person will do for the gay population. Actually, what this person does will consist of a lot more.

I know you can't wait to find out who this mystery "homosexual" is. But trust me, when you do, you will be amazed and proud. So intense will this revelation be that the flood gates of homosexual closet doors opening throughout the entertainment industry will be unstoppable. Guaranteed. Copy cats, you may then say? Nonsense. There's nothing wrong with jumping on the bandwagon when you have a winner leading the team.

And a winner is what this "celebrity" has proven to be for many years.

The only thing one can do now is wait. It is the calm before the storm. A media storm that will overtake even the film "The Lost World" should it choose to hit at the same time. Chances are, though, it will not happen in the next few weeks, rather the next few months.

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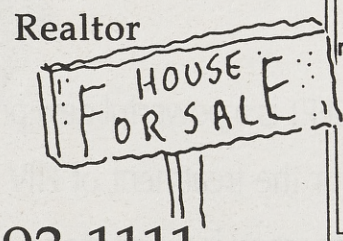

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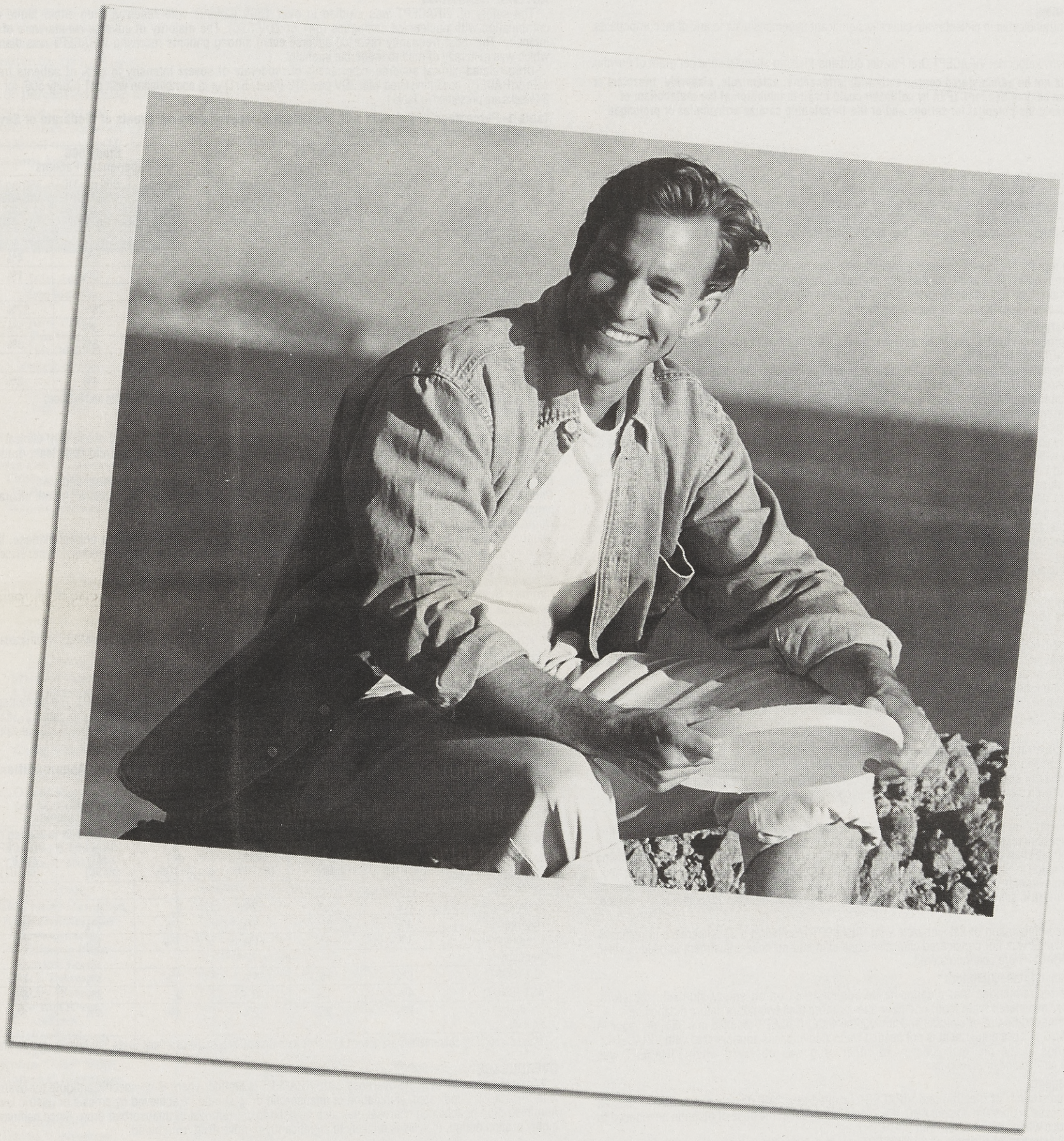

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Terfenadine: Administration of terfenadine with VIRACEPT resulted in the appearance of unchanged terfenadine in plasma; therefore, VIRACEPT should not be administered concurrently with terfenadine because of the potential for serious and/or life-threatening cardiac arrhythmias. Because a similar interaction is likely, VIRACEPT should also not be administered concurrently with *astemizole*.

Anti-HIV protease inhibitors

Indinavir: Coadministration of indinavir with VIRACEPT resulted in an 83% increase in nelfinavir plasma AUC and a 51% increase in indinavir plasma AUC. The safety of this combination has not been established.

Ritonavir: Coadministration of ritonavir with VIRACEPT resulted in a 152% increase in nelfinavir plasma AUC and very little change in ritonavir plasma AUC. The safety of this combination has not been established.

Saquinavir: Coadministration of saquinavir with VIRACEPT resulted in an 18% increase in nelfinavir plasma AUC and a 392% increase in saquinavir plasma AUC. If used in combination, no dose adjustments are needed.

Antifungal agents

Ketoconazole: Coadministration of ketoconazole with VIRACEPT resulted in a 35% increase in nelfinavir plasma AUC. This change was not considered clinically significant and no dose adjustment is needed when ketoconazole and VIRACEPT are coadministered.

Anti-HIV reverse transcriptase inhibitors

Didanosine: It is recommended that didanosine be administered on an empty stomach; therefore, nelfinavir should be administered (with food) one hour after or more than two hours before didanosine.

Zidovudine: Coadministration of zidovudine and lamivudine with VIRACEPT resulted in a 35% decrease in zidovudine plasma AUC. A dose adjustment is not needed when zidovudine is administered with VIRACEPT.

Little or no change in the pharmacokinetics of either drug was observed when VIRACEPT was coadministered with *lamivudine* or *stavudine*.

Antimycobacterial agents

Rifabutin: Coadministration of rifabutin and VIRACEPT resulted in a 32% decrease in nelfinavir plasma AUC and a 207% increase in rifabutin plasma AUC. It is recommended that the dose of rifabutin be reduced to one-half the usual dose when administered with VIRACEPT.

Rifampin: Coadministration of rifampin and VIRACEPT resulted in an 82% decrease in nelfinavir plasma AUC. VIRACEPT and rifampin should not be coadministered.

Oral Contraceptives

Ethinyl estradiol and *norethindrone:* Coadministration of VIRACEPT with OVCON-35 resulted in a 47% decrease in ethinyl estradiol and an 18% decrease in norethindrone plasma concentrations. Alternate or additional contraceptive measures should be used during therapy with VIRACEPT.

Carcinogenesis and Mutagenesis
Carcinogenicity studies in animals have not yet been completed. Nelfinavir was not, however, mutagenic or clastogenic in a battery of *in vitro* and *in vivo* tests including microbial mutagenesis (Ames), mouse lymphoma, chromosome aberrations in human lymphocytes, and an *in vivo* rat micronucleus assay.

Pregnancy, Fertility and Reproduction – Pregnancy Category B
Comparisons of systemic exposure are based on the steady-state area under the plasma concentration time curve (AUC) observed in humans receiving the recommended therapeutic dose. Nelfinavir produced no effects on either male or female mating and fertility or embryo survival in rat studies at exposures comparable to human therapeutic exposure. There were also no effects on fetal development or maternal toxicity when nelfinavir was administered to pregnant rats at systemic exposures comparable to human exposure. Administration of nelfinavir to pregnant rabbits resulted in no fetal development effects up to a dose at which a slight decrease in maternal body weight was observed; however, even at the highest dose evaluated, systemic exposure in rabbits was significantly lower than human exposure. Additional studies in rats indicated that exposure to nelfinavir in females from mid-pregnancy through lactation had no effect on the survival, growth, and development of the offspring to weaning. Subsequent reproductive performance of these offspring was also not affected by maternal exposure to nelfinavir. However, there are no adequate and well-controlled studies in pregnant women. Because animal reproduction studies are not always predictive of human response, VIRACEPT should be used during pregnancy only if clearly needed.

Nursing Mothers
The US Public Health Service Centers for Disease Control and Prevention advises HIV-infected women not to breast-feed to avoid postnatal transmission of HIV to a child who may not yet be infected. Studies in lactating rats have demonstrated that nelfinavir is excreted in milk. It is not known whether nelfinavir is excreted in human milk.

Pediatric Use
Nelfinavir was studied in one open-label, uncontrolled trial in 38 pediatric patients ranging in age from 2 to 13 years. In order to achieve plasma concentrations in pediatric patients which approximate those observed in adults, the recommended pediatric dose is 20-30 mg/kg given three times daily, not to exceed 750 mg three times a day. (See DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION)

A similar adverse event profile was seen during the pediatric clinical trial as in adult patients. The evaluation of the antiviral activity of nelfinavir in pediatric patients is ongoing.

The safety, effectiveness and pharmacokinetics of nelfinavir have not been evaluated in pediatric patients below the age of 2 years.

ADVERSE REACTIONS
The safety of VIRACEPT was studied in over 1500 patients who received drug either alone or in combination with nucleoside analogues (d4T or ZDV/3TC). The majority of adverse events were of mild intensity. The most frequently reported adverse event among patients receiving VIRACEPT was diarrhea, which was generally of mild to moderate intensity.

Drug-related clinical adverse experiences of moderate or severe intensity in ≥2% of patients treated with VIRACEPT coadministered with ZDV plus 3TC (Study 511) or in combination with d4T (Study 506) for up to 24 weeks are presented in Table 1.

Table 1–Percentage of Patients with Treatment-Emergent[1] Adverse Events of Moderate or Severe Intensity Reported in ≥2% of Patients

	Study 511 Naive Patients			Study 506 Experienced Patients		
Adverse Events	Placebo + ZDV/3TC (n=101)	500 mg TID VIRACEPT +ZDV/3TC (n=97)	750 mg TID VIRACEPT +ZDV/3TC (n=100)	Placebo + d4T (n=109)	500 mg TID VIRACEPT +d4T (n=98)	750 mg TID VIRACEPT +d4T (n=101)
Body as a Whole						
Abdominal Pain	1%	0	0	3%	2%	4%
Asthenia	2%	1%	1%	4%	3%	1%
Digestive System						
Diarrhea	3%	14%	20%	10%	28%	32%
Nausea	4%	3%	7%	1%	3%	2%
Flatulence	0	5%	2%	4%	8%	3%
Skin/Appendages						
Rash	1%	1%	3%	0	4%	3%

1 Includes those adverse events at least possibly related to study drug or of unknown relationship and excludes concurrent HIV conditions

Adverse events occurring in less than 2% of patients receiving VIRACEPT in all phase II/III clinical trials and considered at least possibly related or of unknown relationship to treatment and of at least moderate severity are listed below.

Body as a Whole: accidental injury, allergic reaction, back pain, fever, headache, malaise, and pain.
Digestive System: anorexia, dyspepsia, epigastric pain, gastrointestinal bleeding, hepatitis, mouth ulceration, pancreatitis and vomiting.
Hemic/Lymphatic System: anemia, leukopenia and thrombocytopenia.
Metabolic/Nutritional System: increases in alkaline phosphate, amylase, creatine phosphokinase, lactic dehydrogenase, SGOT, SGPT and gamma glutamyl transpeptidase; hyperlipemia, hyperuricemia, hypoglycemia, dehydration, and liver function tests abnormal.
Musculoskeletal System: arthralgia, arthritis, cramps, myalgia, myasthenia and myopathy.
Nervous System: anxiety, depression, dizziness, emotional lability, hyperkinesia, insomnia, migraine, paresthesia, seizures, sleep disorder, somnolence and suicide ideation.
Respiratory System: dyspnea, pharyngitis, rhinitis, and sinusitis.
Skin/Appendages: dermatitis, folliculitis, fungal dermatitis, maculopapular rash, pruritus, sweating, and urticaria.
Special Senses: acute iritis and eye disorder.
Urogenital System: kidney calculus, sexual dysfunction and urine abnormality.

Laboratory Abnormalities
Few patients experienced significant laboratory abnormalities while receiving VIRACEPT. The percentage of patients with marked laboratory abnormalities in Studies 511 and 506 are presented in Table 2. Marked laboratory abnormalities are defined as a Grade 3 or 4 abnormality in a patient with a normal baseline value or a Grade 4 abnormality in a patient with a Grade 1 abnormality at baseline.

Table 2–Percentage of Patients by Treatment Group With Marked Laboratory Abnormalities[1] in >2% of Patients

	Study 511 Naive Patients			Study 506 Experienced Patients		
	Placebo + ZDV/3TC (n=101)	500 mg TID VIRACEPT +ZDV/3TC (n=97)	750 mg TID VIRACEPT +ZDV/3TC (n=100)	Placebo + d4T (n=109)	500 mg TID VIRACEPT +d4T (n=98)	750 mg TID VIRACEPT +d4T (n=101)
Hematology						
Hemoglobin	6%	3%	2%	0	0	0
Neutrophils	4%	3%	5%	1%	1%	4%
Lymphocytes	1%	6%	1%	1%	1%	0
Chemistry						
ALT (SGPT)	6%	1%	1%	1%	3%	2%
AST (SGOT)	4%	1%	0	0	3%	3%
Creatine Kinase	7%	2%	2%	4%	5%	6%

1 Marked laboratory abnormalities are defined as a shift from Grade 0 at baseline to at least Grade 3 or from Grade 1 to Grade 4

OVERDOSAGE
Human experience of acute overdose with VIRACEPT is limited. There is no specific antidote for overdose with VIRACEPT. If indicated, elimination of unabsorbed drug should be achieved by emesis or gastric lavage. Administration of activated charcoal may also be used to aid removal of unabsorbed drug. Since nelfinavir is highly protein bound, dialysis is unlikely to significantly remove drug from blood.

DOSAGE AND ADMINISTRATION
Adults: The recommended dose is 750 mg (three 250 mg tablets) three times daily. VIRACEPT should be taken with a meal or light snack. Antiviral activity of VIRACEPT is enhanced when VIRACEPT is administered in combination with nucleoside analogues. Therefore, it is recommended that VIRACEPT be used in combination with nucleoside analogues.

Pediatric Patients (2-13 years): The recommended oral dose of VIRACEPT for pediatric patients 2 to 13 years of age is 20-30 mg/kg per dose, three times daily with a meal or a light snack. (See complete prescribing information for dosage table.) For children unable to take tablets, VIRACEPT Oral Powder may be administered. VIRACEPT Oral Powder should not be reconstituted with water in its original container.

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On the HIV front...

by Sonya Cox
AIDS/HIV Editor

HIV home tests show targeted use...

Several months, two HIV home test kits (Confide and Home Access) have been available to consumers who can take their own blood sample, send it to a lab, and learn by telephone whether or not they've tested positive for HIV. Data on customers show that 99 percent test negative, 65 percent are being tested for the first time, most are heterosexual males, some are gay men, and almost none are IV drug users. The pros and cons of learning your status over the telephone remain controversial.

Water parasite "crypto" a mystery to many...

A random survey of 511 east coast doctors indicated that most knew very little about cryptosporidiosis, with more than 30 percent incorrectly assuming a standard stool culture would uncover the microbe. Connecticut Department of Health researchers found that doctors often did not test for crypto even when symptoms were plainly evident in patients. According to the study, infectious disease specialists fared better than other specialists in correctly diagnosing it — most likely because of their experience with AIDS patients, who are more susceptible to the disease.

Symptoms include explosive diarrhea and abdominal cramps that can last from 5 days to a month in healthy people, and be fatal to people with a severely compromised immune system, or who may have already lost several pounds. Stools from people with crypto are highly infectious. The protozoa/parasite causing it can be found in unclean water. Just to be on the safe side, people with HIV should seriously consider drinking only filtered or bottled water.

AIDS, ethics and economics...

In 1932, the U.S. Public Health Service began a "research project" to track the course of syphilis. The subjects selected were 399 poor Black men, many of them sharecroppers with large families, who jumped at the chance when researchers from the Tuskegee Institute offered "free medical care." They were then left untreated even though syphilis treatment was available. Treatment was offered "as soon as" the study was concluded (which by the way was 40 years later, and long after many had died). President Clinton recently declared the study morally and profoundly wrong. Nonetheless, a large number of Blacks recently surveyed say they still believe the Tuskegee experiments, as well as AIDS and drug addiction, are the result of medical establishment conspiracies to eradicate the Black race.

Hot on the heels of the Tuskegee study scandal, amazingly enough, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control has announced plans to run a test on poor women in Asia and Africa to see if giving them an abbreviated amount of AZT will protect their children from HIV, even though it's already known how and when to administer the drug during pregnancy. Half the women will receive the treatment, half will not. The idea, say the researchers, is to find a simpler, far cheaper method to protect women in developing countries who ordinarily do not have access to AZT in any case. In Kenya, for example, between 20 percent and 30 percent of expectant mothers are HIV-positive.

The parameters of ethics in research are extending to areas not yet regulated — animal rights activists protect animals being used in tests, but there are few groups protecting humans. Federal rules do not apply to embryo research, or to some forms of privately funded research. Undoubtedly, changes are needed.

Morphine use examined...

Many physicians and patients avoid the use of narcotic drugs such as morphine to treat extreme pain for fear of addiction. However, scientists are beginning to realize that "when addicts use drugs, they become less functional, more isolated, and they move away from the mainstream," says a researcher at the Anderson Cancer Center of Houston. "When pain patients use drugs, they become more functional, much less isolated, and they move toward the mainstream." In addition, when pain patients no longer need the drugs, they usually are able to quit with little difficulty.

Studies also show that the memory of pain is permanently recorded in nerves, causing lasting changes in their molecular structure. General anesthesia given to surgery patients with a history of morphine pain management, therefore, is not as effective as administering a separate injection directly at the surgical site in order to prevent many of the pain signals from ever reaching the spinal cord.

Return-to-work concerns...

People who use marijuana for pain and nausea relief or appetite stimulation are now facing an additional quandry as they prepare to return to work, or find they can now continue working because of improved overall health. Smoking pot is the only way some can get their jobs done. But now people are facing the issue of "coming out" on the subject to their supervisor or co-workers, or to a prospective new employer who may discover the drug in their system through mandatory tests. Should it be discussed during the interview? What if the drug test is refused? U.S. employers are weighing whether or not to develop a framework that puts this type of use in the same category as prescription drugs. The situation arises in the midst of controversy about pot use in general. Many physicians say smoking pot is harder on the lungs than smoking cigarettes, which severely injures fragile lung tissues, and they would prefer that people with HIV instead take marinol (a pill with marijuana properties).

At Gay Men's Health Crisis in New York, the largest AIDS service agency in the U.S., new classes for people with AIDS deal with subjects like the rights of workers with HIV and how to return to employment. In San Francisco, AIDS Benefits counselors are now managing an employment service, and demand for its jobs skills and placement programs has grown threefold.

Changing laws around the country...

A bill sent by the Missouri legislature to the Governor for signature would make HIV-testing a requirement for anyone arrested more than once for a prostitution-related crime. The bill would also boost penalties for adults who willfully infect minors

A New York senator says that people who have been raped and possibly exposed to HIV should be tested for the virus and administered antiviral drugs immediately as a routine part of their treatment. The senator noted that "a recently developed test can reliably detect HIV in the blood 3-6 days after exposure. Preliminary research has indicated that the drug AZT, when administered hours after HIV infection, might eliminate the virus from the body."Neither the test nor the treatment are currently standard procedure for dealing with rape victims in hospital emergency rooms or rape crisis centers in New York.

Some Indinivir users develop urinary stones...

On-going studies of Indinavir sulphate, a protease inhibitor, are showing that more than 100 people with HIV in a large therapeutic program in France developed renal colic (pain spasms) or passed urinary stones within one to 20 weeks after beginning Indinivir treatment. Only three of the patients had a past history of urinary stones. The occurrence of the stones was not unexpected, say the researchers, as the risk has been noted in a document from the European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicinal Products.

If you take this drug, keep your physician informed of side-effects you may experience. Symptoms of renal colic include pain in the region of one of the kidneys and toward the thigh. Pain radiates from the kidneys (central back area) around and over the stomach into the groin area.

Clinton calls for AIDS vaccine as goal...

President Clinton has announced that the National Institutes of Health would set up an AIDS vaccine research center to centralize research already underway on the agency's campus, with the goal of developing an AIDS vaccine within a decade. The White House Office of AIDS said the center would be fully operational within the next several months and initially involve 40 to 50 scientists. The project will add about $17 million to AIDS spending, bringing the annual total to $150 million. Clinton said he would ask for support of other nations in this endeavor at a summit meeting of industrialized nations in Denver this month, and he asked the pharmaceutical industry to focus on the "successful development of an AIDS vaccine" as part of its basic mission. A Pharmaceutical Researchers and Manufacturers spokesman pledged the industry's support, but said Clinton needs to back tort reform and restore cuts in the Food and Drug Administration budget to make his vision a reality. Additionally, the editors of *Investor's Business Daily* write that Clinton's call for action on AIDS ignores the fact that AIDS is on the decline in the United States and can be prevented through behavioral change. Moreover, they note, Clinton is failing to address another major medical issue—that of drug-resistant strains of the virus. About 3 million people worldwide become infected each year with the HIV virus that causes AIDS, and an estimated 29 million people carry the virus, 40 percent of them women.

Experiments on vaccine progress...

Despite several high hurdles to clear in establishing a vaccine for AIDS — including HIV's predilection for mutation, its six different strains, and the lack of good animal models — scientists have managed to create four types of experimental vaccines that offer some promise for the future. Some are in the lab-dish stage, others have evolved to the animal experimental stage. *Recombinant peptide vaccines* are laboratory-made proteins, *live virus vaccines* stimulate the human body to manufacture HIV antibodies and t-lymphocytes, *DNA vaccines* are formulated from "naked" lab-made genetic material in which the HIV proteins provoke antibodies and t-lymphocytes in the human body, and *live attenuated vaccines* employ live HIV after it has been weakened so that it cannot foster the disease.

Vital statistics...

Among the "top 10" fatal diseases around the globe during 1996, says the World Health Organization, heart disease was No. 1 — causing 7.2 million deaths, tuberculosis was ranked No. 5 — responsible for 3 million deaths, No. 9 is HIV/AIDS — which caused 1.5 million deaths, and No. 10 is hepatitis B — which resulted in the loss of 1.2 million lives.

An increasing number of women are reported to be dying of AIDS, and dying far faster than men. Some are developing severe Kaposi's Sarcoma with a survival rate averaging about nine months, far shorter than in men with KS. Some researchers say they suspect the reason may be that the HIV is reawakening dormant viruses in their bodies, including the Epstein-Barr virus that leads to lymphoma and the human papilloma virus that causes cervical cancer. AIDS is now the No. 3 killer of American females between the ages of 25 and 44, and it is the No. 2 cause of death in African- American women in that age group.

Penciclovir for herpes shows good results...

Researchers in Salt Lake City recently compared the safety of topical 1 percent Penciclovir cream with a placebo for the treatment of recurrent cold sores in people with a compromised immune system. The cream was effective in the 2,209 subjects enrolled in the study when applied both in the early stages of the herpes episode and in the later stages.▼

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Novato Ministers Quit Group With Gay Member

Three Novato ministers quit a peer organized association when they learned that one the members was a lesbian. Pastor Marilyn Hedges-Hiller, 46, has been openly lesbian since her 20's. The issue of her sexuality began in January when Slant, a gay newspaper, ran an article about her and her accomplishments. Hedges-Hiller has worried that her sexuality would eventually become an issue when she founded The New Faith Church in Novato last year. "I find it very painful. It is true you are reduced to a sex act. Nothing about you matters. It doesn't matter who I am, how good a person I am, what I say, what I preach."

The three departing ministers have stated that they cannot work with an openly gay person and take issue with others in the group for not asking her to resign. "My appeal to the ministers is don't let this split us up. Satan is certainly an ace at doing that," said W. Lee Grady, one of the departing ministers. "This lady, if she were living a clean life, my goodness, she would be welcome like the rest of us."

Hedges-Hiller and her partner of 18 years have a 15 year old son. Her congregation of 25 have supported her through the ordeal. The majority of the 12 member minister group have voted not to expel Hedges-Hiller.

The three leaving ministers are Grady of Novato Seventh-day Adventist Church; Gregg Mervich of Marin Christian Life Church; and Greg Escher of Open Door Christian Church.▼

Man Who Leaked AIDS List Sentenced

Clearwater, FL — Gregory Wentz, 33, was sentenced this month to 60 days in jail for mailing to the media a list of nearly 4,000 AIDS patients.

He did this to spite his lover.

Wentz has been allowed to remain free as he appeals his misdemeanor conviction of violating confidentiality laws. The former funeral home director, currently a cab driver, has stated that the media is to blame for the interest in the case.

"You ruined my life," said Wentz

Area newspapers have also received an anonymous letter stating that Wentz's roommate, William Calvert III, a former state health worker who collected AIDS data, had been spreading the list around local gay bars. Calvert has admitted to using the computerized database for personal reference, but remains certain that he has done nothing wrong.

He goes to trial in July for the misuse of confidential information as a public official.▼

Student Sit In at Mt. Holyoke

Some students at Mt. Holyoke college have taken over a campus building. Among the demands being made by the students is the establishment of a cultural space for lesbian students at Mt.Holyoke college. According to Meghan Freed, a spokesperson for the group, the African-American student population has a safe-space as well as the Latina population. "Why can't the gay students have one too?," she askes. If the cultural space is established at the Massachusetts school, one of the original "seven sisters," it will take it's place among other schools like Smith college which has recently agreed to establish a safe zone for lesbian students to meet, according to an alumni source.▼

Legislative Update

Crucial Bills Set For Vote

by Marghe Covino
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A number of gay related/supported bills have passed committee and are scheduled to be heard on the Assembly floor and lobbyists are urging everyone to not only write to Assembly members themselves but to get friends and relatives to write and support the bills.

The address is simple: The Honorable (name here), California State Assembly, State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814.

Bills which are coming up in the next few weeks are:

AB 53- Kevin Murray: Allows unmarried couples including same gender couples to adopt.

AB 54- Kevin Murray: Statewide domestic partners bill which includes registration, hospital visitation rights, and right of conservatorship.

AB 101- Sheila Kuehl: Prohibits discrimination on basis of sexual orientation in California public schools.

AB 257 - Antonio Villaraigosa: Adds "sexual orientation" to the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (FEHA).

AB 492 - Fred Keeley: Extends the time to file a sexual orientation discrimination complaint with the Labor Commissioner from 30 days to one year. Currently all other protected categories including, race, gender etc. with a one year time frame from the date of any incident.

AB 800 - An anti-gay marriage bill was defeated in a committee but was placed on the schedule for reconsideration.

AB 1059 - Carole Migden: Requires health care insurers to allow coverage for domestic partners when spousal coverage is also available.

AB 1490 - "No Promo Homo Bill" was defeated in the Assembly Education Committee. However, it has been scheduled for reconsideration. The bill would have amended the education code to prohibit any expenditure of state funds in public & private school (K-12), or sex education classes "which would provide any materials that promote or advocate homosexuality as a viable lifestyle."▼

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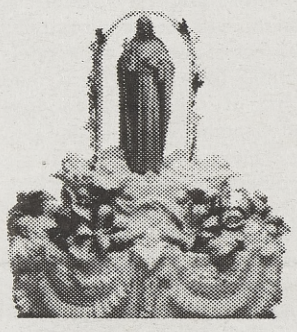

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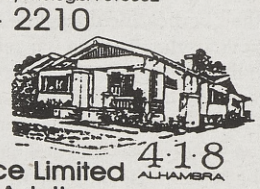

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More on Living With Dogs & Cats

by Joan B. Guertin
MGW/Staff

A common complaint from those who live in a household with both dogs and cats centers around the food dish and the cat litter box. Both are like magnets to the family dog resulting in some pretty frustrating situations for the human members of the pack.

When the cat's feed dish is left within reach of the family dog, the dog will eat the food. This is a given! Although cat food is not good for dogs, due to the high ash content, the dog has no way of knowing that and is drawn to it like flies to sugar. The solution I always resorted to was moving the cat dish to a higher level since cats can spring easily up on a table or a shelf. A table on the porch or in the garage, works wonderfully and you are not placing undue expectations on the dog. I have even placed a small crate or cat carrier on the top of a table and then placed the food inside so the cat could eat with some privacy, without a salivating dog eyeballing the exercise. Simple solution to a perplexing problem. Forget the idea that you will train the dog to stay out of the cat dish. Ain't gonna happen unless you are there to supervise. The best solution I have found is to remove temptation (and the cat dish) so you don't set the dog up to fail.

The other problem plaguing a cat/dog household is that of the cat box. So, what is the lure? Who knows, maybe the smell of recycled cat chow. Regardless, dogs will raid a cat box given the slightest opportunity. Even if cat waste wouldn't hurt the dog, it is still a nasty habit. Who wants doggie kisses after a trip to the cat box. Again, don't rely on training. You are, after all, dealing with a strong instinct and the hardest job is to train against instinct. Instead, devise some solutions to keep the dog from getting to the cat litter box.

If you are living with little dogs that can't jump into the bathtub, the litter box may be safe there. I've placed the cat box in the bathtub and blocked the bathroom door with a kiddy gate, with great success. Larger or very agile dogs, will, however, present a problem, so a different strategy is necessary.

A covered cat box, placed behind a barricade, in a corner with the opening facing into the corner, has proved a successful solution in some cases. The cat can jump over the barrier, and maneuver around the corner into the box. It is very private and the dog can't get into it. This is an excellent solution if the cat will use the covered cat box. Some won't. Then you are back to square one again. If either of these suggestions fail to work, then make sure that the cat is trained to use the cat box in a totally different area from where you keep the dog. Use baby gates to block off the room the cat uses. Usually this is not a simple problem to solve and you may have to keep the dog and the cat separated when no one is around to supervise.

I have one friend who owns very large dogs, who installed a small cat door so that her cat could go onto the back porch and to its litter box when it needed out. A good solution as the dogs couldn't get through the cat door.

Understand that getting angry at the dog isn't the answer. Training an unsupervised dog to stay out of a cat box is an exercise in futility. If anyone has found a fool proof method to solve the problem without causing pain or harm to the dog, I will be happy to relay the information in a future column.

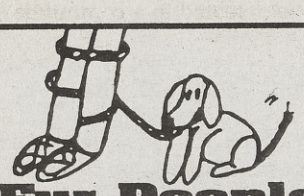
Another solution to the problem of separating dogs and cats when you can't supervise them, is to build a cat play yard. Of course, it takes room, but you can get really creative. A dog kennel placed around a great climbing tree and topped with a roof, will allow the cats to be outdoors; able to indulge their natural climbing behavior, and can use their own "sand box". Adding some of the climbing condo's allow your kitties to lounge high where they can survey their kingdom. They will be safe from predators, cars and stray dogs and still enjoy the great outdoors. If you are lucky enough to have a screened-in porch, it can be converted to an area for a cat play yard.

I have always enjoyed owning cats and dogs. When I had only one dog I found that the cat was a great companion for him when I wasn't home. Raised together they do become fast friends. And they can be interesting playmates. Their antics can provide some delicious entertainment. One story a friend delights in telling is about coming home and finding her cat soaked to the skin on several occasions. She had no idea how he was getting wet until the day she spotted her German Shepherd, Charlie, carrying the cat. She quietly followed him and discovered Charlie politely depositing Andrew Cat in the toilet. The mystery was solved and the toilet lid was carefully lowered from then on.

The one thing to remember is that anytime you need to make changes in the living conditions of the animals, the changes need to be made slowly. Dogs aren't crazy about change, cats like change even less. Patience is imperative!

For difficult cat problems, the Animal Behavior Department at UC Davis is a good resource. There are also several Cats Only veterinarians in our area and they can be good sources for information. Also, watch for the publication of Gina Spadafori's new book, CATS FOR DUMMIES, due soon from Dummies Press. Check your favorite book store.▼

In the tradition of famous one-namers such as Madonna and Prince, this 4-year-old Labrador mix goes by JD. His dad and dad are Tim Larabee and Frontrunner member Jim Sechelski. If JD isn't too doggone shy, he'll enter the Bette Davis Eyes category at the GLBT Hot Diggity Dog Day at the Park on July 12.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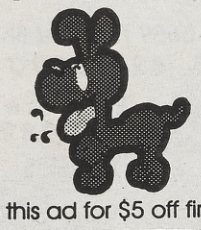
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Flash

by John Batchelor
MGW/Staff Writer

Spring must be party time! What a gang I had for my "Ellen" Party. Five television sets were fired up for the momentous occasion. Across town, Dennis Mangers and Michael Sestak also had a houseful (including Assemblywoman Sheila Kuehl). And for Cinco de Mayo, Norman Walker and Greg Rodriguez opened their Landpark home to friends and family. Mom even did the cooking.

Over 200 people attended the Lambda Center's "Fantasy Date Auction" at Faces Video Bar recently. Helping raise $1,180 for the Center's bingo (yes, bingo) start-up fund were 14 hot guys. Topping the money-makers were Mr. Gay Sacramento Jeffery Gordy and his other half, Mark Dugrenier, Mr. Sacramento Valley Bear, "A.J.," and Mr. Cheeks & Chaps, Russ Marsh. Apparently Lakish was also in full leather, not a dress, as one of the master of ceremonies. Jeff Flynn informs me that there is another event in the works that will even top this success!

Not last in the "Title" department. Tony Bowser is the new Mr. Bolt. As you may recall, the Bolt relocated to North Sacramento not long ago.

Happy sixth anniversary to James Ozanich and Russ Marsh. Also happy sixth to George F. and Rick C. on the closeted front. (Even though one of them has been a calendar boy). Happy birthday to Gary Coates, Pete Combs, Dr. Scott Christensen (who made the TV news recently), Jeff Byers, Rodney Palmer, Pete Pavey, and happy one-year anniversary to Avalon Hospice.

John Daniels of English Garden Care was featured in a Sacramento Bee article. "Growing Pains" was a piece with tips on lawn maintenance. Surprisingly, the article said that lawns are a lot of work. They went on to say you may be better off hiring someone like Daniels!

Mr. Flash went roller skating in April. It was so much fun (in-line skates, too), he and more friends are going again. Please join the gang at Foothills Skate on Sunday evening June 8. This event is to benefit the Lambda Freedom Fair. What better way to kick off Gay Pride Month?

Gearing up for the 1997 AIDS Ride (cycling the West Coast) are Tim Larrabee and former Sacramentan Michael Fuhr. This is quite a challenging bike-a-thon, to say the least. Participants cover hundreds of miles.

If you are one of those people who pencil-in the upcoming BIG events, here are a couple: The annual black tie CAP-PAC Dinner has been postponed until October. Also in October, the Names Project is planning a fantastic Halloween party at the Hyatt Hotel. More details on both these events in future columns... Stay tuned, thanks for reading...John▼

S. F. Pride Celebration: "One Community, Many Faces"

The 27th annual San Francisco LGBT Pride Celebration, June 28-29, will honor and reflect the diversity of individuals who make up the gay community with this year's theme, "One Community, Many Faces."

Festivities begin on Saturday at 10:00 a.m. at the Embarcadero between Broadway and Folsom in the waterfront area. The two-day celebration will feature speakers, live entertainment and dance venues, and will culminate in the ever popular and sometimes outrageous annual parade on Sunday. The procession kicks off at 11:00 a.m. Sunday on Market at 8th Street and proceeds downtown to Justin Herman Plaza, adding revelers to the water front party.

Grand Marshals this year are youth organizers Jesse Costello-Good and Kent Khounsombath who co-chaired San Francisco's first ever public hearing on LGBT and questioning youth earlier this year. Costello-Good is currently organizing a conference "Overcoming Homophobia Meeting for Youth" (OHMY!) which will bring together high school gay/straight alliances throughout the Bay area. Khounsombath was a key organizer for the first "Young, Loud and Proud" conferences for queer youth held last year, and joined 350 of his peers in lobbying for anti-discrimination legislation in the California Public School System.

Other parade marshals include The Honorable Sabrina Sojourner, a U.S. Representative who organized extensive grassroots campaigns around hate crime prevention; Gary Wu, china's most outspoken gay activist; Dennis Peron and "Brownie" Mary Rathbun, owners of the Cannabis Buyers Club who advocate for the right of those with AIDS to use marijuana medicinally; and the Rev. Dr. William Johnson of the United Church of Christ, the first openly gay person ordained in the Christian ministry.

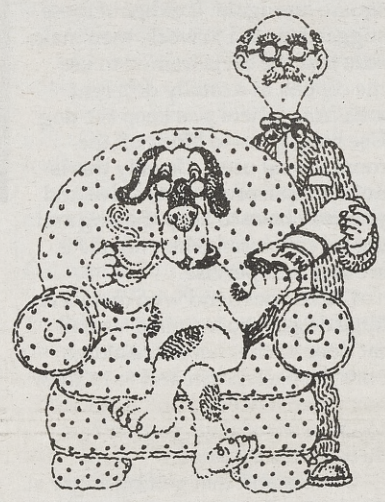
KOFY TV-20 will telecast the parade live throughout the San Francisco Bay area. For visitor literature on San Francisco, including maps and lodging guide, send $3 to the San Francisco Convention and Visitors Bureau Information Center, P.O. Box 429097, San Francisco, CA 94142-9097.▼

Channel 31's Tina Macuha to Emcee GLBT Dog Day at the Park

Tina Macuha, of Channel 31's "Good Day Sacramento" show, will be the master of ceremonies for the Hot Diggity Dog Day at the Park at Tahoe Park, July 12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Macuha was previously a morning show host with KSFM-FM, 102.5. She has been a frequent host for gay and lesbian events and fund-raisers in Sacramento.

Sponsored by Sacramento's first Gay/Lesbian newspaper "Mom Guess What," the glbt day at the park will feature hilarious competition categories to give every dog a chance to strut their stuff across the stage. The event is a fund-raiser for the Frontrunners Sacramento, a primarily gay and lesbian running and walking club. Money raised will send track and field athletes to compete in the Gay Games in Amsterdam next year.

Event registration is $10 per dog and includes a free goodie



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Lesbian wins rights to visit ex-partner's child

Pamela Lockrem-West, filed for custody in family law court for joint custody of her ex-partner's biological child. In an unprecedented move, Pamela Lockrem-West also filed a civil lawsuit for a breach of contract against Barbara West for allegedly breaking her promise to share the parenting of the child. In this case, the widespread implications could change the definition of a "family".

A Sacramento County Municipal Court Judge, Gail D. Ohanesian awarded a temporary order subject to further ruling on Lockrem-West's bid for joint legal custody. Ohanesian has granted visitation rights to Lockrem-West, a lesbian embroiled in a custody dispute over a 4-year old girl, after the couple's breakup April 1995. According to court documents, Lockrem-West claims that she and West, the biological mother, had an eight-year relationship. A relationship which included a long term commitment to parent a child through artificial insemination. As for Pamela Lockrem-West's victory on visitations rights is virtually unheard of in family law, where same-sex partners are not customarily viewed as parents if they have no biological link to the child.

Randy Thomasson, assistant director for the Capitol Resource Institute, a group that is active in research and legislation on family issues believes the judge's decision is "alarming." Thomasson reaction, "What has happened here is an attack upon the institution and the definition of the family," "Every child needs and deserves the love and affection of a mother and father. To put the child in this type of environment is wrong," Lockrem-West's attorney, Kathleen E. Finnerty, disagreed. "The court has acknowledged that my client's presence in the life of the child is beneficial," Finnerty said.

Pamela Lockrem-West won rights to visit her child that she had with Barbara West.

Kate Kendell, executive director of the National Center For Lesbian Rights of San Francisco. "Too often judges have not seen gays and lesbians as a real family with all the same struggles and hopes as other families." There have been about two dozen such cases across the country, and about half resulted in judges viewing non-biological same-sex partners as having some sort of legal standing in court.

Attorney Sharon Huddle, who represents Barbara West, said Ohanesian overstepped her bounds as a judge by ruling that Lockrem-West had the right to pursue custody in family law court. "It is not the place for the court to make social policy," Huddle told the judge. "There are established laws when the courts can intervene in the lives of the public and take control of their children and (Lesbian partners) is not one of them, she said. "With this ruling, what the judge is saying is that anybody can come into court and say, 'I want visitation with your kid because I have spent some time with your kid," Huddle said later.

Finnerty, Lockre-West's attorney countered that a fundamental goal of family law court is to do what is best for the child. "The law has evolved, recognizing same-sex relationships and looking at substance lives of the public and take control of their children and (Lesbian partners) is not one of them, she said. "With this ruling, what the judge is saying is that anybody can come into court and say, 'I want visitation with your kid because I have spent some time with your kid," Huddle said later.

Baby showers were held by both of their friends, so to their friends and families, Lockrem-West was seen as the child's "other mother," and in birth announcements both were listed as parents. Lockrem-West also participated in birthing classes.▼

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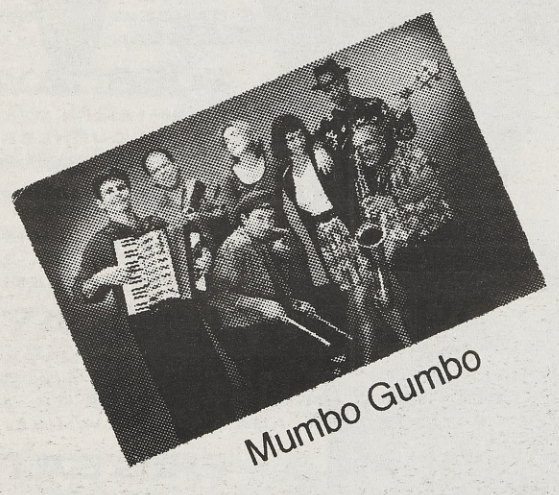
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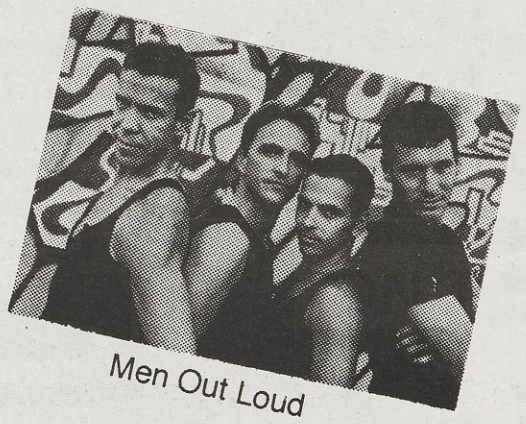
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1 SUNDAY

ASIAN PACIFIC SISTERHOOD MEETING
753-6093
COAST WINDS CONCERT
Gualala Arts Ceter, 707/884-1138
DAVIS LESBIGAY DAY
11 - 4pm, Central Park, 5 & B St., Davis, 753-8283
DYKES OUT TOGETHER
Hike near Colfax, 649-3043
G/L SIERRANS
Calaveras Big Trees Hike, 421-6209
JEWISH FOOD FESTIVAL
209/447-9306
MCCLOUD FLEA MARKET
8am - 4pm, Main Street, McCloud, 964-3313
RODEO & VENDOR EXPO '97
800/233-1234

2 MONDAY

AIDS LOBBY DAY
State Capitol Building, 444-0424
KARAOKE NIGHT
9pm - 1am, The Mirage, 15 & F St., 444-3238
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
CSUS, 6:30pm, 974-8199
SAC. WOMEN'S CHORUS
6:30pm, 424-4411

3 TUESDAY

SAC. CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION
NIGHT SOFTBALL LEAGUE
6:30pm, Roosevelt Park
OPEN BOOK PRESENTS:
Poetry, 8pm, 910 21 St., 498-1004
SOLONO-YOLO GAY MEN'S ALLIANCE
7:30pm, Fairfield, 707/449-0847

4 WEDNESDAY

THE PALMS PRESENTS:
Laura Love Band, 8:30pm, 726 Drummond, Davis
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199
VALLEY BEARS MEETING
Wreck Room 2513 Broadway, 7pm, 535-5050
WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP
7pm, Lioness Books 2224 J St., 944-DYKE

5 THURSDAY

BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10pm
LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP
Auburn's DeWitt Center, 7pm, 632-7080

6 FRIDAY

BARBERSHOP QUARTETS AT EDGEWATER RESORT
6 - 8, 6420 Soda Bay, Kelseyville, 707/279-0208
BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 4pm
BBQ TO BENEFIT CARES PROJECT
4 - 7pm, Patio of Mercantile Saloon
CAMPING WOMEN BBQ
McKinley Park, 451-9132
OPEN BOOK PRESENTS:
Howard Hannon Booksigning, 7pm, 910 21 St., 498-1004

7 SATURDAY

BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10am
CAJUN FEST
Murphys, 209/728-3436
"INTO THE NIGHT..."
6 - 10pm, El Darado Woman's Ceter fundraiser, El Dorado, 21-4469
OPEN BOOK PRESENTS:
Mary Wings Booksigning, 2pm, 910 21 St., 498-1004
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
Guy West Bridge, 9am, 974-8199
SACRAMENTO DRUMMER BOY CONTEST
10pm, Wreck Room, 722-6301
SACWN: STARLITE SERENADE DANCE
8pm, Cal Ezpo, 451-8034

8 SUNDAY

DYKES OUT TOGETHER
Meeting, 649-3043
GSAC
Op meeting, 723-8644
LAMBDA FREEDOM FAIR SKATE PARTY
7pm, Foothill Skate Center, 442-0185

9 MONDAY

KARAOKE NIGHT
9pm - 1am, The Mirage, 15 & F St., 444-3238
KIDS CLUB MED WEEK II AT EDGEWATER RESORT
6420 Soda Bay, Kelseyville, 707/279-0208
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
CSUS, 6:30pm, 974-8199
SAC. WOMEN'S CHORUS
6:30pm, 424-4411

10 TUESDAY

IMAGERY FOR HEALING
AIDS Interfaith Network, 7pm, 2230 Arden Way, 393-5367
NIGHT SOFTBALL LEAGUE
6:30pm, Roosevelt Park
OPEN BOOK PRESENTS:
Poetry, 8pm, 910 21 St., 498-1004
SOLONO-YOLO GAY MEN'S ALLIANCE
7:30pm, Fairfield, 707/449-0847

11 WEDNESDAY

EL DORADO COUNTY FAIR
11 - 15, Placerville,
GOOD VIBRATIONS PRESENTS:
"Erotic Reading Circle", 8-10pm, 1210 Valencia, S.F., 415/974-8980
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199
WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP
7pm, Lioness Books 2224 J St., 944-DYKE

12 THURSDAY

BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10pm
GAY MATCHMAKING SEMINAR
Lambda Center, 919 20th St., RSVP 441-1167

13 FRIDAY

BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 4pm
DAD'S CLUB MED WEEKEND AT EDGEWATER RESORT
6420 Soda Bay, Kelseyville, 707/279-0208
FAMILY VALUES: AN AMERICAN TRAGEDY
10pm, KQED S.F., Channel 9
GREAT ISLETON CRAWDAD FESTIVAL
Pinch Tails and Suck Heads, 13 - 15, 777-5880
SUZANNA HOFFS LIVE
7pm, 815 L St., 923-BASS
NAKED MAN
13 & 14Men & women's Chorus Pride Concert, 1925 Del Paso Blvd., 484-5789
OPEN BOOK PRESENTS:
Celtic Harp & Storytelling, 7 - 9 pm, 910 21 St., 498-1004
SACRAMENTO MEN'S CHORUS
Pride Concert, 8pm, 484-4166
ST JOHN HEALING CIRCLE
Sponsered By OASIS to give support to HIV AIDS issues, Church of St. John the Evangelist 1661 15th St. S.F., 415/861-1436

14 SATURDAY

FLAG DAY
LAMBDA FREEDOM FAIR
BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10am
GAY PROM IN S.F.
7pm, 22292 Foothill Blvd., Hayward, 510/247-8214
HEALTH AND HARMONY MUSIC & ARTS '97
Sanoma County Fairgrounds, 707/547-WELL
PERSONAL WATERCRAFT POKER FUN AT EDGEWATER RESORT
Rotary Club of Lakeport, 6420 Soda Bay, Kelseyville, 707/279-0208
SACRAMENTO MEN'S CHORUS
Pride Concert, 8pm, 484-4166
SONORA BLUES & BREWS FESTIVAL
Bo Didley, 209/533-3473

15 SUNDAY

FATHER'S DAY
ASIAN PACIFIC SISTERHOOD MEETING
753-6093
GLS
Day Hike To Shriner's Lake, 421-6209
OPEN BOOK PRESENTS:
Marc Adams Booksigning, 2pm, 910 21 St., 498-1004
PFLAG MEETING
Dr. Will Green, 7:30pm, St. Mark's Church, 2391 St. Mark's Way, 771-3800

16 MONDAY

KARAOKE NIGHT
9pm - 1am, The Mirage, 15 & F St., 444-3238
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
CSUS, 6:30pm, 974-8199
SAC. WOMEN'S CHORUS
6:30pm, 424-4411
SEMINAR: DIALOGUE WITH WOMEN OF RUSSIA
Given by Int. Women's Studies Institute, 16-23rd, 415/323-2013

17 TUESDAY

GOOD VIBRATIONS PRESENTS:
"Erotic Reading Circle", 8-10pm, 1210 Valencia, S.F., 415/974-8980
GSAC
Java City Galleria, 723-8644
MASTER GARDENERS
Great Lawns, 4145 Branch Center Rd., 875-6913
NIGHT SOFTBALL LEAGUE
6:30pm, Roosevelt Park
PFLAG MEETING
7:30pm, St. Mark's Church, 2391 St. Mark's Way, 771-3800
SOLONO-YOLO GAY MEN'S ALLIANCE
7:30pm, Fairfield, 707/449-0847

18 WEDNESDAY

LGBA MEETING
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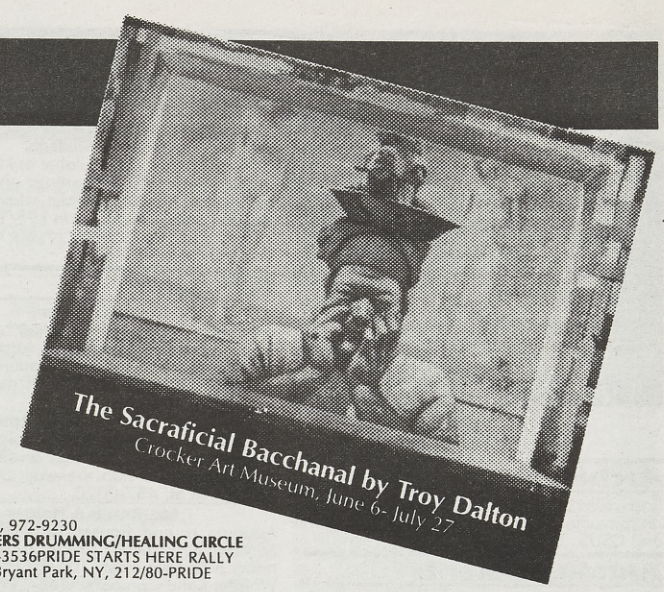

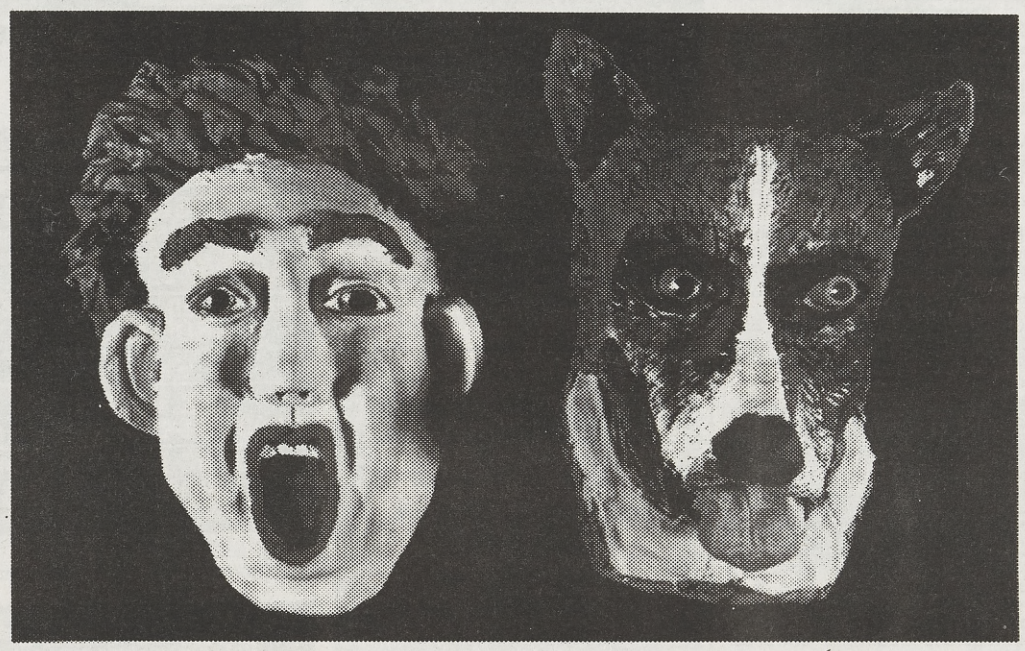

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13 - 15, 6420 Soda Bay, Kelseyville, 707/279-0208
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19 THURSDAY

BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10pm

20 FRIDAY

BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 4pm
CAMPING WOMEN CAMPOUT
Sugar Pine Reservoir, Tahoe National Forest, 451-9132
GLS
Speaker Gail Willumsen, 7pm, 733-2102
VALLEY KNIGHTS MOTORCYCLE CLUB 21ST ANNIV.
20 -22, Must have Pre-Confirmed, 445-6540

21 SATURDAY

1000 MAN MARCH
"Connection": Educ./ Health/Jobs, State Capitol, 6am - 5pm
BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10am
CORPRATE VOLLEYBALL CHALLENGE
8am, 565-7609

22 SUNDAY

NAMES PROJECT STEERING MEETING
6:30pm, Pioneer Church 2700 L. St., 484-4164
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199
WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP
7pm, Lioness Books 2224 J St., 944-DYKE

23 MONDAY

DYKES OUT TOGETHER
Sac. Monarch's Opening Night, 923-2117
KARAOKE NIGHT
9pm - 1am, The Mirage, 15 & F St., 444-3238
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
CSUS, 6:30pm, 974-8199
SAC. WOMEN'S CHORUS
6:30pm, 424-4411

24 TUESDAY

NIGHT SOFTBALL LEAGUE
6pm, Grant Field
SOLONO-YOLO GAY MEN'S ALLIANCE
7:30pm, Fairfield, 707/449-0847
STRAUSS FESTIVAL OF ELK GROVE
24 - 27, 8pm, 684-7533

25 WEDNESDAY

BASIC PHOTOGRAPHY CLASS
7 - 9pm, 444-6080
GOOD VIBRATIONS PRESENTS:
"Virgin Territory 2 Booksigning", 8-10pm, 1210 Valencia, S.F., 415/974-8980
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199
WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP
7pm, Lioness Books 2224 J St., 944-DYKE

26 THURSDAY

BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10pm

27 FRIDAY

Channel 73, 4pm
MOONSISTERS DRUM CLASSES
7pm, 393-3536
GLS
Pool party, 972-9230
MOONSISTERS DRUMMING/HEALING CIRCLE
7pm, 393-3536PRIDE STARTS HERE RALLY
2 - 6pm, Bryant Park, NY, 212/80-PRIDE

28 SATURDAY

BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10am
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
Guy West Bridge, 9am, 974-8199
TORONTO, CANADA'S GAY PRIDE WEEK
416/203-3803

29 SUNDAY

OASIS PRIDE MARCH
GSAC
Op Meeting, 723-8644
INT'L COFERENCE ON ARTS & CULTURAL MANAGEMENT
San Francisco, 415/442-6515

30 MONDAY

KARAOKE NIGHT
9pm - 1am, The Mirage, 15 & F St., 444-3238
SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
CSUS, 6:30pm, 974-8199
SAC. WOMEN'S CHORUS
6:30pm, 424-4411

JULY

1 TUESDAY

CANADA DAY (CANADA)
NIGHT SOFTBALL LEAGUE
7:30pm, Roosevelt Park
SOLONO-YOLO GAY MEN'S ALLIANCE
7:30pm, Fairfield, 707/449-0847

2 WEDNESDAY

SAC. FRONTRUNNERS & WALKERS
McKinley Park, 6:30pm, 974-8199
VALLEY BEARS MEETING
Wreck Room 2513 Broadway, 7pm, 535-5050
WOMEN'S COMING OUT GROUP
7pm, Lioness Books 2224 J St., 944-DYKE

3 THURSDAY

BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 10pm
LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP
Auburn's DeWitt Center, 7pm, 632-7080

4 FRIDAY

INDEPENDANCE DAY
BEING GAY TODAY
Channel 73, 4pm

5 SATURDAY

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FAIR OAKS OPERA, *The Beggar's Opera,* June 20 - July 27, 966-3683

GARBEAU'S DINNER THEATRE, *A Day In Hollywood, A Night In The Ukraine,* thru Jul. 6, *Murder Among Friends,* Jul. 11 - Sep. 14, *Forever Plaid,* Sept. 19 - Nov 23, *The 1940's Radio Hour,* Nov. 28 - Jan 11, 1998, 12401 Folsom Blvd, Rancho Cordova, 985-6361

JOSIE'S CABARET & JUICE JOINT, *The Two-Bit Tango,* June 4 - 29, 3583 16th St., S.F., 415/861-7933

RIVER STAGE, *Fresh Off The Boat,* Jul. 10 - 27; Consumes River College, 688-7364

SACRAMENTO LIGHT OPERA ASSOCIATION, *The Phantom Of The Opera,* Jun. 17 - 22; *Will Rogers Follies,* Jul. 7 - 13; *The Desert Song,* Jul. 14 - 20; *Can-Can,* Jul. 21 - 27; *Oliver!,* Jul. 28 - Aug. 3; *Damn Yankees,* Aug. 4 - 10; *My Fair Lady,* Aug 11 - 17; *Oklahoma!,* Aug. 18 - 24, Music Circus 1419 H St., 557-1999.

SACRAMENTO REPERTORY THEATRE, *Hunter* Jun 20-Jul 26, 5101 Lawrence Dr., 457-8827.

SACRAMENTO THEATRE COMPANY, *Orphans,* thru Jun. 8 at Stage Two; *Burning Patience,* thru Jun. 8 at McClatchy Mainstage. 443-6722

SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK, Summer 1997, San Francisco, 800/978-PLAY

THEATRE ON THE SQUARE, *Freak* starring John Leguizamo, thru June 1, 450 Post St. Floor 2, S.F., 415/433-9500

THEATRE RHINOCEROS, *Up Jumped Springtime,* thru June 22, 2926 16 St., S.F., 415/861-5079

THE THISTLE DEW THEATRE, Blue Regrets, thru June 7, 1901 P St., 443-5952

WOODLAND OPERA HOUSE, *The Sisters Rosenweig,* June 6 - 28, *Tintypes,* Sept 5 - 27; *Little Mary Sunshine,* Oct 10 - 19, *Much Ado About Nothing,* Nov 7 - 29; *The Best Christmas Pagent Ever,* Dec. 12 - 21, *Steel Magnolias,* Jan. 30 - Feb. 21, 1998; *West Side Story,* Mar. 20 - Apr. 11, 1998; *The Sensuous Senator,* May 15 - Jun. 6, 1998, 666-9618

ART GALLERIES

BIG ART, *Joy* Kathy Fenker, *Sinner* Jeff Ringer thru June 6, Six on Six: Black On White, June 11 - July 4, 1928 L St., 446-2740

BRIDGE GALLERY, Out, Loud & Proud, thru July 8, 689 Bryant St. S.F., 415/267-1866

CALIF. PALACE OF THE LEGION OF HONOR, John Martin: *Vision of the Biblical Flood* thru Aug. 3, *Roy Lichtenstein Prints/Anderson Collection,* thru Oct. 19; *Nathan Oliveira Monotypes,* Jun. 14, *Artists Prints, Crown Prints Press,* Oct. 4 - Jan 4, 1998; 34th Ave. & Clement St., San Francisco, 415/863-3330.

CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY ART, *Retrospect of Laureen Landau,* thru Jun. 14; New Work by Nadada, Sept. 13 - Oct. 11, 1516 Del Paso Blvd., 444-9624

CROCKER ART MUSEUM, *"Netsuke! Form and Fashion from Edo Japan",* thru July 6; 216 O St., 264-5423.

DE YOUNG MUSEUM, *"If The Shoe Fits",* thru Jul. 13; *"Life and Afterlife in Ancient Peru: Treasures from the Museo Arqueologico",* Rafael Larco Herrera, thru Aug.; *Jeffrey Appleby Collection of Andean Textiles,* Jun. 21 - Aug. 10, *"Art Of The Americas: Identity Crisis",* Jul. 26 - Nov. 16; *"Masters Of Light: Dutch Paintings from Utrecht in the Golden Age",* Sep. 13 - Nov 30; *Morgan Flagg Collection,* Oct. 18 - Jan. *1998: "Art Of The Americas: Art and Ethnography",* Dec 6 - Mar. 1998; *Treasures of the Tervuren Museum,* Feb. 21, 1998 - Apr. 31, 1998; *John Stuart Curry: "Invading the Middle West",* Jun 13, 1998 - Aug. 30, 1998; *"The Wealth of the Thracians",* Aug. 8, 1998 - Oct. 11, 1998, 75 Tea Garden Dr. S.F., 415/750-3614

SOLOMON DUBNICK GALLERY, Ceramics by Tony Natsoulas, Paintings & Ceramics by Maija Peeples, Jun. 4 - 28; Introductions 1997, Jul 3 - Aug. 2; *California Landscape":* Paintings by Alan Post, Craig Smith & Larry Welden, Aug 8 - 31; Don Reich Retrospective, Sept 3 - 29; Print Drawing & Sculpture by Cecilia Calmes; New Works by Gary Pruner, Nov. 6 - 29, 1997, New Works by Irving Marcus, Jan. 8 - 31, 1998; New works by Jack Ogden, Feb. 4 - 28, 1998, 2131 Northrop Ave., 920-4547

GALERIA DE LA RAZA, *Home Grown: The Fields Of Califas,* thru Jun 21, *UFW/Strawberry Fields Exhibition (title TBD),* thru Jun. 14; *Isis Rodriguez: "My Life As A Comic Stripper",* Jun 24 - Aug. 9, *Alex Donis: "My Cathedral",* Aug. 19 - Sept. 27; *"Dia de los Muertos",* Oct. 7 - Nov. 8; *"Bazaar Navideno",* Nov. - Dec. 24, Studio 24 2857 24th St., S.F., 425/826-8009

MICHAEL HIMOVITZ GALLERY, *Breast Art: Empowerment after Mastectomy,* thru June 6, 1020 10th St., 448-8723

MATRIX GALLERY, Karen Balder, thru June 6, 1518 Del Paso Bivd., 923-9118

RICHARD L. NELSON GALLERY & FINE ARTS COLLECTION, Annual Master of Fine Arts Exhibitions, thru June 27, 124-125 Art Building U.C. Davis, 752-8500

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MASTER CALENDAR

Davis LesBiGay Day, **753-8283,**	**Jun. 1**
Lambda Freedom Fair, **442-0185,**	**Jun. 14**
Sac. Men's Chorus Pride Concert, **484-5789,**	**Jun. 14**
Gay Freedom Day Parade, S.F., **415/864-FREE,**	**Jun. 28 - 29**
Gay Freedom Day Celebration, L.A., **213/860-0701,**	**Jun. 21 & 22**
UFMCC General Conference, **Sydney, Australia,**	**Jul. 20 - 25**
California State Fair, 263-3000, **Aug 15 -**	**Sep. 1**
Rainbow Festival Street Fair, **448-7798,**	**Aug. 31**
Sacramento Capital AIDS Walk, **448-2437,**	**Sep. 21**
Folsom Street Fair, S.F., **415/861-3247,**	**Sep. 28**
Castro Street Fair, S.F., **415/467-3354,**	**Oct. 5**
National Coming Out Day,	**Oct. 10**
World AIDS Day,	**Dec 1**

Let the community know about your 1997 event now! Send info to MGW, 1725 L St. Sacramento 95814

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Archives

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Announcements

Engagement Announced

Cathy Poole and Chris Pettis would like to announce their engagement. The couple met at the Land Park Bowling Center during the GAY league. What started out as friendship has grown into a life commitment. The ceremony will take place in the McKinnely Park Rose Garden in June.

Fishing

Women's Fishing Club now forming. Kim 454-2896 tfn

Bakersfield Gays Wanted

Do you know anyone in the Bakersfield area? I have a friend living there and she's desperate to find some lesbians and gay men to socialize with. Mary is 35, a business owner, into horses and lots of fun! Call me if you know any coupled or single people and I'll get them together. Linda Birner 916.441.6397

Traffic School

Finally a Gay & Lesbian Comedy Traffic School is now celebrating ten years of service to the community and we are dropping our price to $20 for a limited time. 1-800-Gay-4-You. 7/1

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Did You Know Sylvester?

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HIV+ Men's Support Group

Our goal is to provide emotional support, share and have fun together. Call for dinner, if interested. Ron 684-4820

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Floral Designer

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Roommate Wanted

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Room For Rent

In lovely Midtown Victorian. Non-smoking GM household. Kitchen privileges. Close to restaurants, coffee house and shops. $350, utilities included. Aaron 446-4903 6/15

Roommate

Colonial Height area, 2 bdrm, 1 bath, washer/dryer. Smoking OK, light alcohol, ND. $250, cable and utilities included. 428-7748 or 452-5565. 6/1

Roommate

Rancho Cordova area, near Zinfandel and Folsom Blvds. Furnished, private room in gay household. $300, may exchange part rent for computer work in private home office. 366-8182 please leave message. 6/1

South Natomas/Downtown Area

Seeking roommate to share 3 bdrm/2 full bath house. Large swimming pool, laundry, fireplace, private back yard. Must see to appreciate. Furnished/unfurnished bdrm. $300, 1/3 utilities. 641-2709 avail now 6/15

Real Estate for Sale

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Vacation Rentals

Vacation Home

Will trade home for yours for week or weekend. Sleeps six on Clear Lake. Pier and boat ramp. Fully equipped. 753-0424 tfn

Miscellaneous For Sale

Video Directory

1997 Adam Gay Video Directory; 212 color pages with 1,000 gay video reviews, complete with plot, erotic content, rating and photos. $10.95. AGV 1997 Directory, Dept. 3904-7, 8060 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles, Ca, 90046-7082 tfn

Dot Matrix Printer

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Recovery

Alcoholics Anonymous, North Hall, 2015 J St., #32. Nightly meetings 8pm. Don 486-0331 or Karla 568-6714 tfn

Narcotics Anonymous

G/L NA meetings held at Lambda Center, 919 20th St., Sunday from 7-8:30pm tfn

Volunteers

MGW Wants You!

Have too much free time on your hands? Tired of hanging out in environments that are a bit too straight and narrow? MGW is looking for responsible volunteers to help out in the office during the weekdays. Come on in and join the fun! 441-6397 tfn

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We are looking for a king size bed less than two years old. Box mattress not needed. Buy or trade for new queen size mattress. Linda 441-6397

Old Cameras

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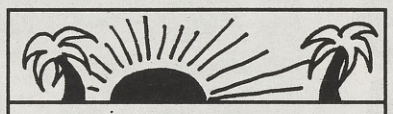

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Welcome Me To Sacramento!
SPGWM, 5'10", 185, brn/hzl. Getting the mountain bikes out and hitting the trails along the American River and into the mountains. Becoming dive certified and heading for Monterey Bay. Next winter I'll continue ski lessons and checking out California. Just moved from KC, enjoy celebrating my Catholic religion and BEING ALIVE. Romantic dinners, movies and sunset walks along the beach are also joys of my life. But where is that someone to do all these things and more, with? Friends first, LTR possible with the right guy. 7/1 #1787

For The Faint Of Heart
Semi-intelligent, 6'4", 185, healthy HIV+, non-spooky looking 40 year old. I've got a fast boat, I think I need a slow guy this time around. You be 18-40, slim, sane, stable and enjoyable - I am. ND, NA, No flakes - please. 7/1 #1786

New To Area
GWM couple, from Seattle, seeks friendship with other GM couples. We like; movies, music, dinners (out/in), short road trips, coffee, conversation and shopping. Not into bar scene, drugs or smoking. Please call. 7/1 #1785

Wanted: Gay Male
Mature, outgoing, fun loving top. In good shape and healthy. Me: 31yo, GWM, 5'11", 150 lbs, good looking, brown hair and eyes. HIV-. 7/1 #1791

What Up!
GWM, 22, 155, 5'11", brn/brn, HIV+. Love biking, having fun, some partying. Seeking GWM under 28 to have good times with. Call! 7/1 #1788

Dateless But...
Not desperate. GWM 22. A stable, loving, romantic writer. Love to cook, hike and camp. UB 24-36, stable, serious, no games. Ht/Wt close to proportionate. I'm a Leo who loves music and dancing. 7/1 #1783

Hustlers To Monks
Unite! Do you find joy in the power and mystery of sex? Lets celebrate together the ingenious ways we manage our erupting behaviors, drives and fantasies. Have you read Dancing Around the Volcano? Discussion group now forming. 7/1 #1781

Unconditional Friendship
GWM, 30, 6'2", 190, brn/brn. WLTM quality guys for friendship and possible relationship. Non-scene. Into surfing, ocean, moonlight walks, camping, volleyball, movies, opera and quiet nights, must be emotionally stable. 7/1 #1782

Wanna Party?
BiWM, thin, goodlooking, kinky, 30's, passive, "Bottom" (Fr. Act./Gr. Pass.), WLTM BiGBM "Tops" to party with. Other tops OK but BLK men a definite plus. 7/15 #1792

Friends First
GWM, 5'2", brown Hair, Hazel-blue eyes, 140 lbs. Looking for friends first, then relationship later. Tired of being alone. Please call the number and I will call you back as soon as I can. 7/15 #1794

Special Person
GWM looking for a special person to be around and spend time with, friends first, then possible relationship. Brown hair, blue eyes, with moustache and small beard. Please call and let's meet, soon. 7/15 # 1795

Friends First
GWM, 35, 129 lbs, sky blue eyes, 5' 2". Outgoing, loves garage sales, coffee, bike riding and quiet evenings. Not looking for Mr. Right. ND, HIV+ OK. 6/15 #1765

Country Guy
GWM 60, Rancher type. Hairy chested top, enjoys outdoors, gardening, birds, animals, kids, fishing, RVing, coast & mountains. Not into bars. Seek NS, ND, HIV-, 28-90 parallel mate. Slim/skinny older man a turn on. 6/15 #1758

London Meets Asia
Late 30's, Gdlk Englishman, would like to meet gdlk Asian or Eurasian. Must work the body and the soul. I'm 6'2", 175, brown hair, blue eyes. Students a plus. I'm at CSUS. 6/15 #1760

Gay Mexican
Chunky, good natured, Latin, 33. Into casinos, Mexican cooking, safe sex, camping, fishing, and SF. No drugs, booze, smoke. Seek compatible friend 18-43, for fun times. 6/15 #1764

LESBIANS SEEKING LESBIANS

I Want To Learn
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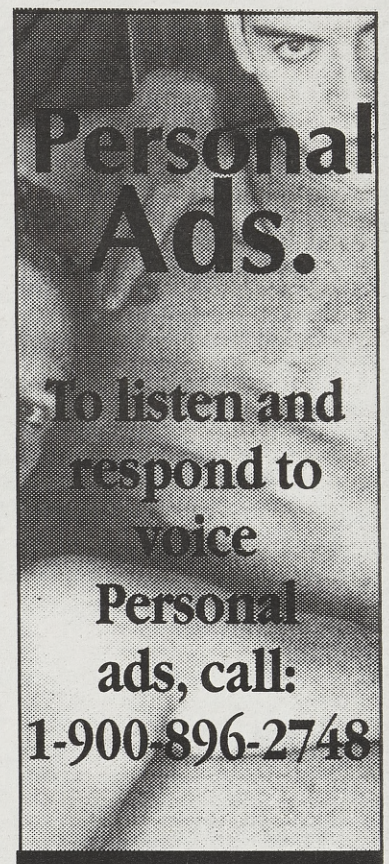
Lesbian Friend Needed
My most recent relationship has just ended. I want to fly but not solo. Lets do things together; shows, dances, dinners, whatever. I'm fem, blond and basically happy. UB my soft butch complement 35-50, Fit and Fun. 6/15 #1767

Single Gay Female
36 year old slender-new to the area, looking for friendship. likes simple pleasures, animals, sports, exploring, music and writing. Tender hearted and intuitive, hard working. No drugs, no bis. 6/15 #1766

I SAW YOU

New Helvetia Patio
April 14th afternoon. You: Brown hair, baseball cap, white tank top and shorts. Me: Blonde w/ yellow t-shirt, reading at table behind you. We stared and smiled. You left with friend (?) in green car. Dinner? Coffee? Kiss? Call if interested. 6/15 #1768



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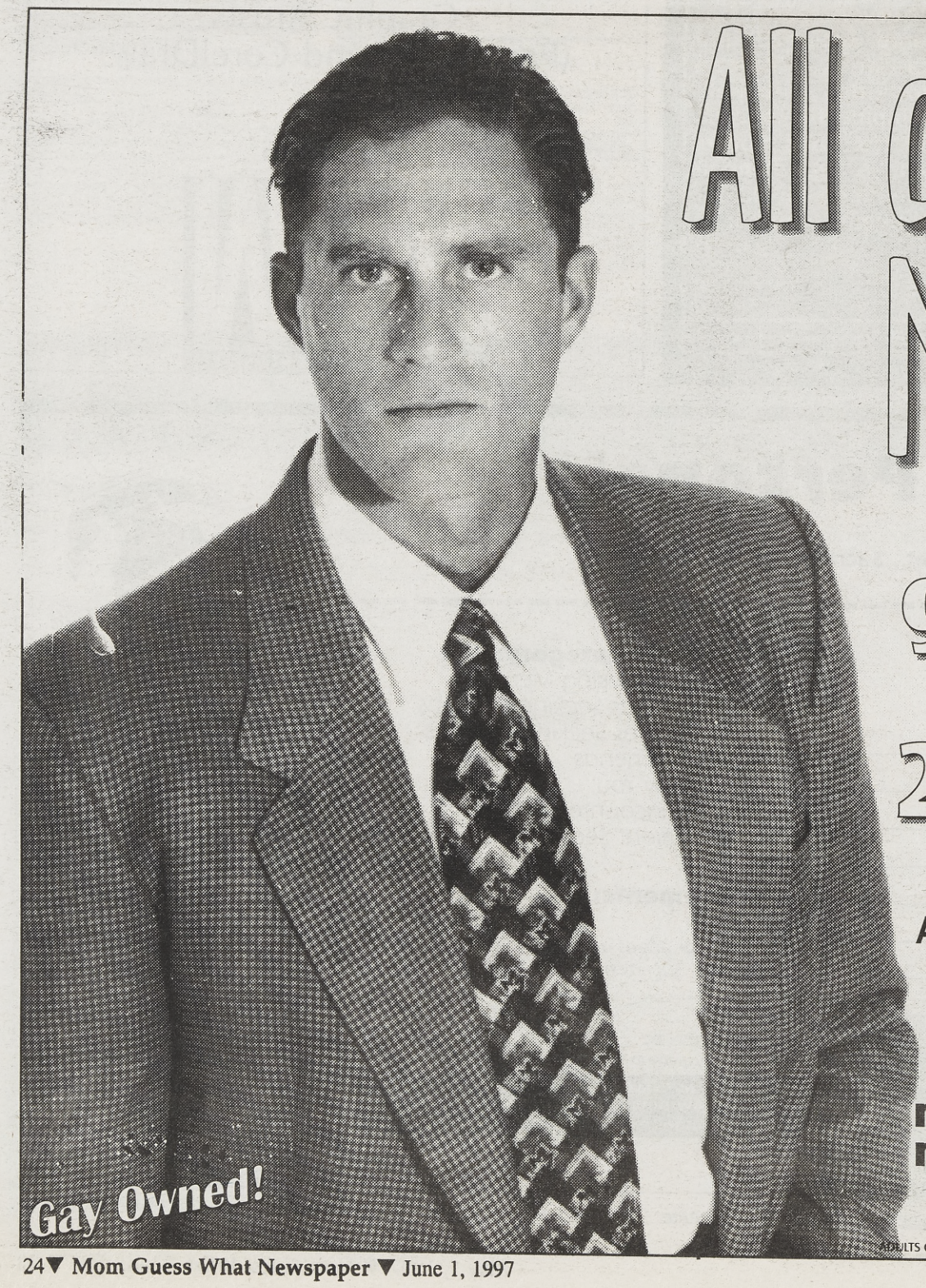

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